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Records of the First Church at Dorchester in New England: 1636–1734. Boston, Mass.: George H. Ellis, 141 Franklin Street. 1891. 8vo. pp. xxvi.+270. Price $3.

This volume is issued in pursuance of a vote of the Church in July, 1888, to print its first manuscript volume of records. It is a welcome addition to the resources of the historian and the genealogist. The committee charged with the work consisted of the pastor, the three deacons, Rev. S. J. Barrows and Mr. William B. Trask, who are members of the Church. The preparation of the principal preface or introduction, which is an important and highly interesting part of the book, was assigned to the two gentlemen named. The publication is in fulfilment of a purpose long entertained, and which, from time to time, has had prompting and encouragement on the part of others not connected with the Church, who appreciated the great, and, possibly, in some particulars, unique value of these ancient records as historical data. A favorable moment appeared in an opportunity to obtain a competent transcriber having both the time and zeal requisite for the patience-testing, and in some respects perplexing, task.

The transcriber is Rev. Charles H. Pope of Kennebunkport, Me., who though not immediately identified with the Church is so at the second remove, it having been the church of his ancestors from the first settlement of the town. The fidelity of his labors will be recognized by all who are in any degree familiar with the original volume. The extent of these labors is not quite indicated by the title of "copyist," which he assumes in his brief and pertinent preface. The reading of the final proof sheets, with constant reference to the original page, and the preparation of a complete index of names, a general index and an index of places, are comprised in the services rendered. The literary part of the preface proper, or introduction, is the work of Rev. Mr. Barrows, who had the assistance of Mr. Trask in the researches necessary for the presentation of the statistics pertaining to local history.

The original is reproduced in its orthography, capital letters, abbreviations and punctuation and the order of succession of the various entries. In this last particular, as is often the case with ancient records, some irregularity appears as respects dates, certain of the early dates being towards the end of the book, and certain leaves or pages being used here and there for memoranda of different periods; but the indexes make everything reasonably accessible. Not only are to be found in the volume such affairs of the church routine as would be expected, but also a prolonged marginal record of dates of birth made by Rev. John Danforth, pastor 1682–1730, who frequently in case of a dismissal from the Church names the place to which the person removed; this last information, often most valuable to an exploring genealogist; and herein lies the possible unique merit of the volume. There are a considerable number of miscellaneous entries, and many which have the charm of quaintness. These with what is signified in the formal record are helpful to one who would gain a correct mental picture of times now distant; for Dorchester dates not only from the beginning of the Bay Colony, but during the period here covered, and much longer, was a typical New-England puritanic community.

The introduction consists largely and very fitly of a presentation of the facts of record bearing upon the question of the antiquity of the Dorchester Church, ecclesiastically considered. A part of the Dorchester church of 1636, supposed to be a majority of the membership, emigrated at that time and founded the town of Windsor, Conn. The records of the original church, which antedates the settlement of the town of Dorchester, having been organized at Plymouth, England, in March, 1629–30, are not extant, so far as is known, and there is nothing official to show whether the emigrating party went as a church or not. As the surviving pastor, Rev. John Warham, two deacons of the original church and a majority of members removed, it is the opinion of some that the church as an institution went also. There are writings, not official, made by persons living contemporary, or nearly so, that signify this, and other writings of the same period which are consistent with the conclusion which is reached by the authors of the introduction, that the original church separated into two nuclei, whence, by accretion, came the permanent church of Dorchester and the permanent church of Windsor. The phraseology of the introduction is, "The Churches at Dorchester and Windsor are both heirs of the same parentage."

Whatever may finally be concluded on the matter, the fact is undisputed that there was a reorganization of the church at Dorchester, Aug. 23, 1636, after the departure for Windsor, which took place in April, and that the initiation of this work of reorganization began also in April. The principal authorities relied on by both sides of the controversy are quoted by the authors of the introduction. They reach their conclusion with the minimum of argumentation, which judicial form of presenting the case enhances the value of their chapter.

The volume is an excellent specimen of the printer's art. A single fault is noticeable that does not detract essentially from its merit, in the omission of the title page of the original volume, which was intended to be page 1, as the typography shows. The caption of this title is, however, quoted in the introduction, and the remainder of it is a mere recital by classification of the contents, so that nothing of significance fails to appear.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

Genealogia Bedfordiensis; being a Collection of Evidences relating chiefly to the Landed Gentry of Bedfordshire, A.D. 1538–1700. Collected out of Parish Registers, the Bishops' Transcripts, Early Wills, Monumental Inscriptions, etc. etc. Annotated with Copious Notes. By FREDERICK AUGUSTUS BLAYDES, Editor of the "Visitations of Bedfordshire" and "Bedfordshire Notes and Queries." London: Privately printed for the Editor at the Chiswick Press. 1890. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 508. Edition 100 copies, of which only a few copies remain unsold. Price £2 5s., post free. Address the compiler, at Shenstone Lodge, Bedford, England.

Mr. Blaydes, the compiler of this valuable work, began collecting genealogical materials relating to Bedfordshire some nine years ago. "My original intention," he says, "was to make use of it in illustrating and extending the 'Visitations of Bedfordshire,' edited by me for the Harleian Society in 1884; but, in correspondence with several genealogical friends, I found many who, like myself, were interested in Bedfordshire families, so in order that the material

which I had collected might be available for such, I resolved to print a limited edition for subscribers. The greater part of the contents of this volume has never, till now, been printed, and I cannot but think they will prove useful to the genealogist."

Mr. Blaydes's position as editor of the *Bedfordshire Notes and Queries*, which he has held for upwards of nine years, has afforded him excellent opportunities for collecting and sifting materials relating to the genealogy of that county. He has searched the registers of forty-seven parishes for facts, which registers he found in a fairly good condition, generally speaking. "The conclusion I have arrived at," he says, "is that those well cared for and kept in the more equable temperature of the parsonage study are likely to last for all time, whereas those kept in the damp, stagnant atmosphere of our too often, alas! barred and bolted churches are gradually but surely decaying."

The preface gives a description of the plan of the work and the sources from which the compiler has drawn his materials. The entries copied from parish registers and bishops' transcripts are printed under the names of the parishes, which are arranged alphabetically. The notes in illustration of these extracts are appended, also arranged under the several parishes. They show a vast amount of research. American readers will find matters of interest here. It will be remembered that Mr. Blaydes furnished important facts to Mr. Waters in his Washington research. (See REGISTER, vol. 44, pp. 73–4, 308.)

The present volume closes with the year 1700; but Mr. Blaydes has later material and can bring the work down to the close of the last century, in another volume, if sufficient encouragement is offered him.

The book is handsomely printed on thick white paper, and illustrated with facsimiles of the signatures of Bedfordshire Justices, 1685-1753, from the parish registers of Stambridge, and of a page of a parish register, 1573–82. It has a full index.

Virginia Genealogies. A Genealogy of the Glassell Family of Scotland and Virginia, also of the families of Ball, Brown, Bryan, Conway, Daniel, Ewell, Holladay, Lewis, Littlepage, Moncure, Peyton, Robinson, Scott, Taylor, Wallace, of Virginia and Maryland. By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A., Member Southern Hist. Soc.; Penn. Hist. Society; Wyoming Hist. and Geol. Soc.; Penn. Soc. Sons of the Revolution; Cor. Mem. New-Eng. Hist. Gen. Soc.; and Hist. Socs. of Md., Va., Ga., &c. &c. &c. Wilkes-Barré, Pa.: 1891. Large 8vo. pp. xviii.+770. Price $7.35, including postage.

The Rev. Mr. Hayden is favorably known as a zealous, untiring and thoroughly conscientious student through his numerous published contributions in history, genealogy and cognate fields during quite a score of years past.

The work, as he states in his preface, was commenced some eight years ago at the instance of a cherished friend, a female parishioner of his. Instinctive predilection impelled a wider scope as new information opened up to him, until his loving task has assumed the present goodly proportions. He gratefully acknowledges essential assistance from the late Richard Moncure Conway, of Spotsylvania County, Va., a born genealogist, and the brother of the widely-known writer, Moncure Daniel Conway. Mr. Hayden has been characteristically assiduous, in this, a labor extraneous of his dutiful life-calling, and has made it paramountly *the* object in his literary labors. The result is gratifyingly what might be expected from him and under such circumstances. Virginia genealogy, duly appreciated and justly worked, is an attractive field, fruitful in valuable results contributary to a correct apprehension of Virginia in her people and her history, and contributarily of the American nation.

The present work is undoubtedly the most accurate in data and the most comprehensive in scope and material of any as yet published of the Virginia genealogies. In personal detail of prominent characters, in historic incident, in pictures of social life, and in reminiscences characteristically Virginian or Southern, it is peculiarly attractive and informatory. In tracing many of the families deduced, back to Great Britain, much of interest and suggestion to the student is presented.

In a preliminary paper on "Descent," in admirable spirit, Mr. Hayden gives much useful information in counteraction of silly prejudice and cherished foibles—little vanities. The limits of this notice prescribe citation, but it may be said that this paper will be appreciated on reading.

Some idea of the value of this admirable garner may be given, in that in its nearly 800 large 8vo. pages, thoroughly indexed and handsomely bound in cloth, illustrated by portraits, and enriched by early wills, Revolutionary letters and documents with biographical sketches replete with original data gleaned chiefly from old parish, county and state records, is comprehended pedigrees, more or less complete, of Maryland, Virginia and Kentucky families, embracing the following names: Alexander, Ashby, Ashton, Ball, Bankhead, Barnes, Beckwith, Blackburn, Blackwell, Briscoe, Britton, Brockenbrough, Bronaugh, Brown, Bryan, Buchanan, Bullitt, Bushrod, Calle, Campbell, Cary, Carter, Chichester, Chinn, Claggett, Corter, Conway, Cooke, Cordell, Cox, Crawley or Cralle, Crosby, Covell, Dade, Daniel, Doddridge, Downman, Edwards, Eltonhead, Eno, Eustace, Ewell, Fairfax, Fleet, Forrest, Foulke, Fowke, Fox, Franklin, Gaskins, Glassell, Grayson, Grinnan, Gordon, Halsey, Hanson, Harrison, Hart, Hayden, Hayes, Henderson, Henry, Holladay, Horner, Hooe, Jones, Kenner, Key, Lee, Lewis, Lippett, Littlepage, Madison, Marr, Mason, McCarty, McGuire, Moncure, Morton, Morson, Nalle, Overton, Patton, Paynter, Payne, Pearson, Pegram, Peyton, Phillips, Pickett, Ramsey, Randolph, Robinson, Scarborough, Scriven, Scott, Smith, Somerville, Spaun, Stanard, Stone, Tabb, Taliaferro, Taylor, Terry, Thacher, Threlkell, Thompson, Tomlin, Travers, Tucker, Turner, Underwood, Vance, Waller, Wallace, Ware, Washington, Webb, Weeks, Williams, Whiting, Winston, Wood, Wormley, Yates, etc. There are over 100 full and extra pedigrees and excursi in addition to the sixteen families of direct record.

There is some additional Washington matter in amplification of the invaluable results of Mr. Waters, and indeed a flood of fact and illustration which will be patent on examination.

By Robert A. Brock, Esq., of Richmond, Va.

The Church of England in Nova Scotia, and the Tory Clergy of the Revolution. By ARTHUR WENTWORTH EATON, B.A., Presbyter of the Diocese of New York. New York: Thomas Whittaker. 1891. 12mo. pp. xiv.+320.

The Reverend Mr. Eaton of New York makes an affectionate acknowledgment of his obligation to the diocese, in which he was born and bred, in his latest book, "The Church of England in Nova Scotia." The author, who has made us familiar with the picturesque and romantic aspects of his native Province in his charming poems, in this volume shows it to us in a plainer garb, but one no less interesting. The book shows indefatigable industry and strict fidelity, and contains much that is of value to the genealogist and antiquary as well as to the general student. Through all the first chapters are found constant allusions to the great debt the church owes to the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel; without its pecuniary aid in those early days the faithful must have gone without the consolations of religion, and their children, uninstructed in church doctrine, must have fallen a prey to some form of dissent; without the watchful care of the Society, error and schism of every kind must have been rampant. The flight of the Tories from the United States, which left the new nation to the stimulating control of congregationalism, strengthened the church in Nova Scotia, giving its sentiment a tinge of the romantic loyalty the mother church of England wore after the death of the Royal Martyr, for the sufferings of these new settlers of Nova Scotia are apt to be underrated by us in New England. Very low churchmen they have always been in the Provinces, but their loyalty to the Crown led them to sacrifice the rapid growth of their college to its interests.

The personal notices in this book are of unexpected interest to New England readers; familiar surnames appear on every page, and many new relatives will be found here; some of the most distinguished laymen of Nova Scotia have been of New-England origin. The chapter on "Other Religious Bodies" is a very unprejudiced statement of the growth and usefulness of the sects, and a clear exposition of the political side of Romanism, which has always made it abhorrent to British subjects. Congregationalism made a settlement in Nova Scotia long before Cornwallis's surrender, as those will remember who recall the elaborate treatment of this subject by Mr. Eaton's friend, Professor Rand, and a little gentler usage of them by the ecclesiastical authorities would have conciliated most of their hostility and made the Province singularly united. Among the early students of King's College was Major General James Arnold, a gallant

soldier and a skilful commander, but the son of the traitor; and the only unpleasant line in this book is that which speaks of "the *celebrated* Benedict Arnold." A book published in New York should have found some more accurate description of him. * *

The Annals of Sudbury, Wayland and Maynard, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. By ALFRED SERENO HUDSON, Author of History of Sudbury, etc. Illustrated. 1891. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 213+40+vi. Price $4. Sold by the author, the Rev. A. S. Hudson, Ayer, Mass.

The Rev. Mr. Hudson contributed to the History of Middlesex County, published in 1890, histories of the towns of Sudbury, Wayland and Maynard. These are made the basis of the histories of those places in the handsome volume before us. Sudbury, the parent town, was settled in 1638, and received its name Sept. 4, 1639. Wayland, originally East Sudbury, was incorporated as a town April 10, 1780, and Maynard, April 19, 1871.

The volume is divided into six parts. Part I. is the History of Sudbury. Part II. is the Annals of Wayland. Part III. Annals of Maynard. Part IV. Appendix to the Annals of Wayland, arranged under various heads: such as Sudbury in the settlement of other Towns; Papers, Facts and Incidents in Philip's War; Modes of Travel, Public Houses and Temperance; Bridges, Causeways and Meadows in Sudbury River; Roll of Honor; Poetical Selections from Wayland Authors. Part V. Biographical Sketches and History of Houses. Part VI. Quarter Millennial Anniversary Exercises of Sudbury and Wayland, Sept. 4, 1889.

This list of the contents of the volume shows a variety of interesting topics treated upon in its pages. It is profusely illustrated, there being upwards of sixty illustrations, such as portraits—many of them steel engravings—views of buildings and scenery, maps and plans. It is a valuable addition to the local history of the County of Middlesex. The book has a good index.

The History of Westborough, Massachusetts. Part I. The Early History. By HEMAN PACKARD DE FOREST. *Part II. The Later History.* By EDWARD CRAIG BATES. Westborough: Published by the Town. 1891. 8vo. pp. xvi.+504. Price $3.50. Sold by the town clerk, Westborough, Mass.

Westborough has an interest for us as the birthplace of Eli Whitney, the inventor of the cotton-gin, an invention which revolutionized the industry of the southern states. Many other men of note were natives or residents of the place.

The book before us is well written and commends itself to students of American local history. It treats of the topography of Westborough, of its Indian history, its first white settlers, its incorporation in 1712, its churches and ministers, its public schools, its manufacturing and agricultural industries, besides other topics of interest relating to the place and its inhabitants. The part taken by its people in the French and Indian wars, the revolution, the war of 1812 and the late civil war are fully set forth. Biographical sketches of prominent citizens are given in the appendix.

The book has been compiled by two citizens of the town, the Rev. Mr. De Forest and Mr. Bates. The early history of the place, closing with the year 1860, was written by Mr. De Forest; and the later history, beginning with the civil war and coming down to the present time, a period of thirty years, is the work of Mr. Bates. Both of these gentlemen have done their work well. The volume is well printed and is embellished with numerous fine illustrations, consisting of portraits, views, maps and plans. It has a good index.

Memorial of Seymour W. Baldwin of Elyria, Ohio, and of Fidelia (Hall) Baldwin his wife. Cleveland, Ohio: Leader Printing Company. 1891. 8vo. pp. 33.

This memorial of Seymour W. Baldwin, a merchant of Elyria, Ohio, and his second wife, contains remarks at the funeral of the former, Feb. 7, 1891, by the Rev. Edwin E. Williams, pastor of the Congregational Church in Elyria, and Rev. Francis S. Hoyt, D.D., presiding elder of the Sandusky District of the Methodist Episcopal Church; a paper by Rev. Frederick A. Gould of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Elyria; and resolutions by various bodies on his death. The Rev. Dr. Hoyt, after portraying the life of Mr. Baldwin as a successful business man, a benevolent citizen and a sincere christian, thus speaks

of its lessons: "You and I can look at such a character as his and learn a great lesson. We can learn that it is not the greatest thing in this world to be successful in business, to be a great lawyer or a great scholar, a great doctor or a man of great moneyed power. There is something in human nature, something in mind, something in heart, something in character that rises up above all these earthly things and gives the human soul a dignity and glory that can never be destroyed."

Mrs. Fidelia Baldwin died before her husband, Oct. 5, 1886. An obituary of her is reprinted here from the Elyria *Weekly Republican*. Her step-son, Hon. Charles Candee Baldwin, of Cleveland, in his Genealogy of the Baldwin family, bears testimony to her sterling worth and great kindness.

John Hancock and his Times. Read before the "Bostonion Society" in the Old State House, by the Secretary, WILLIAM CLARENCE BURRAGE. Published by the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Boston. 1891. Demy 4to. pp. 19.

Gov. John Hancock, of Massachusetts, the first signer of the Declaration of Independence, is enshrined in the hearts of the people of this country, though some writers have endeavored to detract from his merits. Mr. Burrage has done a good work in vindicating his memory in the elegant brochure before us. He gives a detailed account of the life of the patriot, drawn from every source available to him. The illustrations are very fine. Portraits of John Hancock and his wife Dorothy Quincy (a niece of Dr. Holmes's ancestress, "Dorothy Q."), are given. Other engravings are a view of the Hancock House; Boston Tea Party, 1773; Meeting of John Hancock and Paul Revere at Lexington; Retreat of the British from Lexington; and Gov. Hancock's Visit to President Washington. A facsimile of the order of procession at the funeral of Gov. Hancock, as printed in a newspaper at the time, is given.

The Lost Colony of Roanoke: its Fate and Survival. By STEPHEN B. WEEKS, Ph.D. (Johns Hopkins). New York: The Knickerbocker Press. 1891. 8vo. pp. 42. Price 50 cents.

This paper was read before the American Historical Association, and is reprinted from the fifth volume of the Papers of that society.

Ralegh's "Lost Colony" has long been an object of romantic interest to our people, and Dr. Weeks's account of its "fate and survival" will gratify the curiosity of many readers. The author gives an account of Ralegh's attempt to colonize Virginia, and reproduces the authorities for such facts as have been preserved. He then advances arguments to prove that the Croatan Indians, now living in Robinson County, North Carolina, are lineal descendants of the colonists left on Roanoke Island in 1587, by John White. The conclusions reached from printed authorities are confirmed by the traditions, by the character and disposition, by the language, and by the family names of this tribe of Indians. The paper is a very able one, showing much patient and praiseworthy research. We commend it to our readers.

A Genealogical History beginning with Col. John Washington, the emigrant, and head of the Washington Family in America. Edited and Compiled by THORNTON AUGUSTIN WASHINGTON. Washington, D. C.: Press of McGill & Wallace. 1891. 8vo. pp. 71. With folding tabular pedigree.

Experimental Pedigree of Descendants of Lawrence Washington, 1635–1677, of Virginia. By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, of Wilkesbarre, Pa. 1891. 8vo. pp. 6.

Wills of the American Ancestors of General George Washington, in the Line of the Original Owner and the Inheritors of Mount Vernon. Edited by JOSEPH M. TONER, M.D. Boston: New-England Historic Genealogical Society. 1891. 8vo. pp. 19.

We have before us three pamphlets illustrating the genealogy and history of the Washington family.

In the first work Col. Thornton A. Washington gives much genealogical matter relating to the descendants of Col. John Washington the emigrant ancestor of President Washington in the line of the compiler, who is descended from Samuel

Washington, born Nov. 16, 1734, the oldest full brother of the President. The work seems to be compiled with much care. The biographies of the various members of the family are very full, and contain matter hitherto not accessible.

The pamphlet by the Rev. Mr. Hayden is reprinted from the author's "Virginia Genealogies." Less has been known of the descendants of Lawrence Washington, the emigrant to Virginia, than there has been of those of his elder brother John, to whom the other two pamphlets are devoted. Mr. Hayden's pamphlet is particularly welcome.

Dr. Toner's pamphlet is a reprint of his contribution to the July number of the REGISTER, and our readers are familiar with its valuable contents. It is handsomely printed and will be found convenient it its separate form.

How Yale grew to be a National University. 8vo. 14 pages.

Weeden's Economic and Social History of New England. 8vo. 26 pages.

These two pamphlets are by William L. Kingsley, A.M., editor of the *New-Englander and Yale Review*, and are reprinted from that magazine; the former from the number for October, 1891, and the latter from that for November, 1891.

In the first pamphlet, Mr. Kingsley shows the steps by which Yale College grew to be a "national university," as he claims that it is. "No other college in the country," he says, "draws so large a number of students from so wide an area. Its graduates are in every State of the Union—we might say in every town of any considerable size. Its faculties, though for the most part made up of its own alumni, include Professors selected from the alumni of more than a dozen other institutions of learning. Its students belong to families connected with all the different denominations, and all these denominations are also represented among its instructors. The spirit which rules on the campus is thoroughly American, and democratic in the true sense of that term."

A college was contemplated by the founders of New Haven, where Yale College is seated, and land was set apart by them for such an institution. But at the request of the friends of Harvard College, who represented that New England could not then support two colleges, the plan was not carried into execution for three score years. When, at the beginning of the last century, a college was founded, in Connecticut, it was determined to enlarge the area from which the college might draw its support, and it was, the author says, to James Pierpont, the founder of the institution, that we owe this. The plan adopted in 1701 has been continued to the present time, the area constantly increasing from which students were drawn.

The second pamphlet is a review of Mr. Weeden's work on the "Economic and Social History of New England." Mr. Kingsley appreciates the great labor of Mr. Weeden in gatheriug his facts from so many sources—many of them obscure and not easily accessible; and the high value of the results obtained by his careful and generally judicious labors. But he cannot agree with him in all his inferences. "Life in New England in the seventeenth century," Mr. Kingsley thinks, "was not such a dull, bare and spiritless affair as is represented! On what continent, pray, and among what people was there more real and substantial happiness? The attempt to answer this question may lead some people to pause before they accept the estimate which is placed upon Puritans in this book."

New Historical Atlas and General History. By ROBERT H. LABBERTON. Silver, Burdett & Company, New York, Boston, Chicago. 1890. 4to. pp. 213.

This is a very useful work. It is a history of the world arranged under nations and epochs, and illustrated by numerous maps. The American History fills 17 pages of the work, with many maps illustrating it. Appended are twenty-nine genealogical tables of royal and historic families from classical times to the present. The table of contents embodies a bibliography of the works used as authorities. Mr. Labberton has been engaged for twenty years on a large historical and genealogical atlas which has not yet been published, but his labors on that work have furnished material and fitted him for this. The plates of a former Atlas having been destroyed by fire, the author has made a thorough revision of the work and presents it to his readers in the well printed book before us.

Stark's History and Guide to the Bahama Islands, containing a Description of everything on or about the Bahama Islands of which the Visitor or Resident may desire Information; including their History, Inhabitants, Climate, Agriculture, Geology, Government and Resources. Fully Illustrated with Maps, Engravings and Photo-prints. By JAMES H. STARK. Boston: Photo-Electrotype Company, Publishers. 12mo. pp. x.+243. Price $1.

The title-page sets forth clearly the contents of this book. It has been the author's intention, as he states in the preface, to produce "a history and guide to the Bahama Islands. In the performance of this task every available source of information known to him has been drawn upon, the best authorities have been consulted, such as Bruce's, McKinnen's, Edwards's, and Bacot's histories, from which much valuable information has been compiled, and also from some recent works on the Bahamas, such as Powles, Ives, Drysdale's and the *Nassau Almanac.*"

Mr. Stark has evidently bestowed much labor on this work. The reader will find here interesting matter on this subject which has never before appeared in print. The fourth centenary of the discovery of America by Columbus occurring in this year, readers will be attracted towards the contents of this neat and handy volume.

"The Travelling Church": An Account of the Baptist Exodus from Virginia to Kentucky in 1781 under the Leadership of Rev. Lewis Craig and Capt. William Ellis. By GEORGE W. RANCK. Louisville, Ky.: Press of Baptist Book Concern. 1891. 8vo. pp. 38. Price 25 cts.

This story of the march of the heroic Baptist pioneers from Virginia to Kentucky in the latter part of the last century, embodies "much that has been utterly neglected by other writers, and supplies a thrilling chapter" in the history of Kentucky.

Battles of Saratoga, 1777. The Saratoga Monument Association, 1856–1891. Illustrated. By ELLEN HARDIN WALWORTH. Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers. Albany, N. Y. Royal 8vo. pp. 191. Price $2.50.

Mrs. Walworth published a monograph on Burgoyne's Campaign in 1877, the centenary of the capture of that general's army. She has been induced by the favorable reception which her volume met with, to bring out this volume, and to illustrate it with "original views of the battle-ground, and the historic tablets which have been erected to mark different points of interest."

The volume contains an account of the battles of Saratoga, followed by a history of the Saratoga Monument Association and other historical matters relating to Saratoga and the battles. The initiatory steps for forming this association were taken in 1856, at a meeting of patriotic gentlemen in the old Schuyler mansion at Schuylerville, N. Y., and resulted in the organization in 1859 of an association, with the Hon. Hamilton Fish as President. The history of this association and what it has done is fully given in this volume by Mrs. Walworth, who is chairman of the committee on tablets, and also on that in charge of the monument.

The book is handsomely printed on thick white paper, and is illustrated with twenty-four fine engravings, consisting of portraits, views, maps and plans.

Saratoga is admitted to be one of the decisive battles of the world, and Mrs. Walworth has done a service to her countrymen in preserving the history of that important event and of the association whose object is to commemorate it.

Memoranda concerning the Family of Bispham in Great Britain and the United States of America. Compiled and edited by WILLIAM BISPHAM of New York. Privately Printed. New York. 1890. Royal 8vo. pp. 348. Edition 100 copies.

Record of the Rust Family, embracing the Descendants of Henry Rust who came from England and settled in Hingham, Mass., 1634–1635. By ALBERT D. RUST. Published by the Author. Waco, Texas. 8vo. pp. xvi.+528.

The Ladd Family. A Genealogical and Biographical Memoir of the Descendants of Daniel Ladd of Haverhill; Joseph Ladd of Portsmouth, R. I.; John Ladd of Burlington, N. J. Compiled by WARREN LADD of New Bedford. Printed for the Author by Edmund Anthony & Sons, New Bedford, Mass. 1890. 8vo. pp. xii.+413.

Genealogical Records and Sketches of the Descendants of William Thomas of Hardwick, Mass. Illustrated by Views and Portraits. By A. R. THOMAS, M.D. Philadelphia and London: F. A. Davis, Publisher. 1891. 8vo. pp. xi.+221.

The Brockway Family. Some Records of Wolston Brockway and his Descendants. By FRANCIS E. BROCKWAY. Owego, N. Y.: Leon L. Brockway's Power Print. 1890. 4to. pp. 167.

The Genealogy of the Dimond or Dimon Family of Fairfield, Conn. Together with the Records of the Dimom or Dymont Family of East Hampton, Long Island and of the Dimond Family of New Hampshire. By EDWIN R. DIMOND of San Francisco, Cal. Albany, N. Y.: Published for the Compiler by Joel Munsell's Sons. 1891. 8vo. pp. 179.

Materials for a History of the Sessions Family in America, the Descendants of Alexander Sessions of Andover, Mass., 1669. Gathered by FRANCIS C. SESSIONS. Albany, N. Y.: Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers. 1890. Fcp. 4to. pp. 252. Price $2.

Memoranda relating to the Mifflin Family. By JOHN HOUSTON MERRILL. [Philadelphia:] Printed for Private Distribution. [1890.] 8vo. pp. 91.

Matthias Farnsworth and his Descendants in America. A Monograph. By CLAUDIUS BUCHANAN FARNSWORTH. Pawtucket, R. I.: Published by the Author. 1891. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 122.

A History of the Putnam Family in England and America, recording the Ancestry and Descendants of John Putnam of Danvers, Mass., Jan Poutman of Albany, N. Y., and Thomas Putnam of Hartford, Conn. By EBEN PUTNAM. Illustrated. Salem, Mass., U. S. A.: The Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1891. 8vo. Part I. pp. 64+v. Edition 300 copies. Issued to Subscribers only. Price $6.00 in advance.

Genealogical History, showing the Paternal Line from Arthur Rexford, a native of England, who married Elizabeth Stevens of New Haven,, Conn., in 1702. Compiled by JOHN DEWITT REXFORD. Janesville, Wis.: Gazette Printing Company, Printers. 1891. 8vo. pp. 77.

Some Material for a Genealogy of the Prince Family of Danvers. By EBEN PUTNAM. 8vo. pp. 11.

The Ancestry and Descendants of Jonathan Pollard, 1759-1821. With Records of Allied Families. Compiled by LUCIEN M. UNDERWOOD. Syracuse, N. Y.: Privately Printed. 1891. Sm. 4to. pp. 20. Edition 200 copies. Price 65 cts., postpaid, 2 copies for one dollar. Address L. M. Underwood, 411 Comstock Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

John Smith of Milford, New Haven Colony, 1640; and his Descendants to the Fifth Generation. Compiled by ROBERT ATWATER SMITH of New Haven, Conn.

Will of Charles Hoare of Gloucester, England. With Notes by GEORGE F. HOAR. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1891. 8vo. pp. 7.

Capt. John Elliott of Boston, Mass., 1722. By I. J. GREENWOOD. 8vo. pp. 4.

The Ancestral Dictionary. Edited by JOHN OSBORNE AUSTIN. Printed by E. L. Freeman & Son, Central Falls, R. I. 8vo. pp. 74. Price $5, postpaid. Address J. O. Austin, P. O. Box 81, Providence, R. I.

An Account of the Reunion of the Descendants of Rev. Thomas Hooker, First Minister of Hartford, Conn., held at Hartford, May 16, 1890, with other Historical Papers. Edited by JOHN HOOKER, President of Thomas Hooker Association. Salem, Mass.: The Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1891. 8vo. pp. 83.

Report of the Sixth Annual Reunion of the Eaton Family Association, held at Boston, August 19, 1890. New Haven: Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor, Printers. 1891. 8vo. pp. 35.

Eighth Annual Reunion of the Hartwell Family Association, held at the Town Hall, Concord, Mass., August 27, 1891. 8vo. pp. 19.

We continue in this number our notices of genealogical publications.

The book on the Bisphams is a work of much research, particularly in relation

to the history of the name in England, which seems to be exhaustive. The progenitors of a majority of the Bisphams in the United States are descended from two brothers, Benjamin and Joshua, sons of Joseph Bispham of Bickerstaffe, an agricultural township in the parish of Ormskirk, Lancashire, who came to America in the first half of the last century and settled in New Jersey, Benjamin at Mount Holly and Joshua at Morestown, both in Burlington County. The book is handsomely printed and bound. It has fourteen illustrations, among them fine views of Old Bispham Hall at Wigan, and the churches of St. Thomas à Becket, Up-Holland, and St. Peter and St. Paul, Ormskirk, all in Lancashire, and other objects of interest to the family. Two folding English pedigrees are given. The volume is well indexed.

In the volume on the Rust family, the descendants of Henry Rust, an early settler of Hingham, Mass., seem to be very thoroughly traced. Nearly five hundred families are given, arranged on the *Register Plan*. The compiler has been very successful in obtaining biographical as well as genealogical details. Thirty-five steel and albertype portraits, besides other engravings, embellish the volume. It is handsomely printed and thoroughly indexed.

The Ladd genealogy is compiled by Warren Ladd of New Bedford, who has been engaged in collecting materials for about eight years. He has done his work very faithfully and produced a volume that will be prized by those bearing the name. The book is well printed and has an excellent index.

The Thomas genealogy is by Prof. Amos Russell Thomas, M.D., of the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia. He has collected here much interesting matter about the name, and has given a good genealogy of the descendants of William Thomas, who settled in Hardwick, Massachusetts, some time previous to December, 1732. He is considered by Rev. Dr. Paige, the historian of Hardwick, to be one of the earliest if not the earliest white inhabitants of that town. Prof. Thomas has brought out his book in a handsome form. It is well printed and bound. It has a good index.

The Brockway book is devoted to the descendants of Wolston Brockway who settled in Lyme, Connecticut, in the middle of the seventeenth century. Mr. Brockway of Owego, the compiler, has had the assistance of the veteran genealogist, Mr. D. Williams Patterson of Newark Valley, N. Y. The book is well arranged and well indexed. It makes a handsome volume, illustrated with portraits.

The Dimond Family, by Mr. Dimond of San Francisco, is chiefly devoted to the descendants of Thomas Dimond, an early settler of Fairfield, Conn. They are traced to the present time, some of the tenth generation being given. We have also in the book the records of the descendants of Thomas Dymont of East Hampton, L. I., who died in 1682, and of Ezekiel Dimond, who settled in Concord, N. H. about 1750 and who was a native of South Hampton in that province. Though living at such a distance from the early records of the family, he has under these difficulties persevered is his research and made a very commendable book. It has a good index.

The materials for a History of the Sessions Family contain a large amount of matter relating to the name, consisting of biographies, letters, extracts from public records, records of families, etc. While on a recent tour of Europe he visited Wantage, Berkshire, from which place he had some reason for believing that his ancestors came, but he found none of the name there, though in the adjoining county of Gloucester he met with persons of that name, one of whom was mayor of the city of Gloucester. The book makes a neat volume and is illustrated with portraits and views of buildings.

The book on the Mifflin family relates to the descendants of John Mifflin, senior, and John Mifflin, junior, father and son, who came from Warminster, Wiltshire, some time prior to 1679, and settled in Pennsylvania. It contains much valuable material. It makes a handsome volume.

The Farnsworth book is principally devoted to the descendants of Matthias Farnsworth, who was a resident of Lynn, Mass., as early as 1657, but who removed a few years later to Groton. Two others of the surname are found in America in the seventeenth century—Joseph at Dorchester, Mass., in 1632, and Thomas, a quaker, at what is now Bordentown, New Jersey. Mr. Farnsworth gives brief accounts of Joseph and Thomas and their families, and devotes the rest of the book to the posterity of Matthias. The work is based on collections by the author's uncle, Rev. James D. Farnsworth, who died in 1854. It is a very acceptable contribution to American genealogy. It is well printed and indexed.

The next work, on the Putnam family, will fill a long felt want. When completed it will contain the result of the labors of several industrious genealogists, the first of whom was Dea. Edward Putnam, a grandson of the emigrant, who compiled a genealogy in 1733. The author of this work, Mr. Eben Putnam of Danvers, began collecting facts when twelve years of age. After others who had been preparing a Putnam genealogy for the press had died or given up the task, Mr. Putnam took their materials and by great labor for several years has prepared them for the press. The book when completed will make 600 octavo pages, embellished with about 30 full page illustrations. It will be issued in parts of about 60 pages each. The compiler hopes to publish the work complete by next summer. The part before us is well arranged and well printed.

The Rexford book is devoted to the descendants of Arthur Rexford who settled in New Haven, Conn., as early as 1702. It contains valuable material and is clearly arranged.

Mr. Putnam's pamphlet on the Prince family is reprinted from the Collections of the Essex Institute, vol. 27. It is intended to be supplementary to the account, in vol. 14, by the late Dr. James A. Emmerton, of the immediate descendants of Robert Prince of Salem.

The pamphlet on the Pollard family gives the ancestry and descendants of Jonathan Pollard of New Braintree, Mass., born at Suncook, N. H., March 3, 1759. He was a great grandson of Thomas Pollard, who settled at Billerica, Mass., about 1692. The work is well compiled and handsomely printed. It also contains genealogical matter relating to the families of Merrick, Smith, Bird and Williams.

The next three pamphlets, relating to Smith, Hoare and Elliott, are reprints from the REGISTER, and their matter is familiar to our readers.

The Ancestral Dictionary consists of a series of sixty-four ancestral tables, each of which gives all the known ancestors to the fourth generation of individuals of more or less prominence, living and dead. Appended are eight blank charts, in which the purchaser can record his own ancestry and that of his friends. It is a very useful volume.

The last three pamphlets give the exercises at the gatherings of the families of Hooker, Eaton and Hartwell. These were all interesting occasions, and the pamphlets preserve much valuable material.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY TO DEC. 15, 1891. Prepared by the Rev. EZRA HOYT BYINGTON, D.D., Librarian.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

History of Braintree and Quincy, Mass. By Charles Francis Adams, A.B. Boston. 1891. 8vo. pp. 365.

Some Phases of Sexual Morality and Church Discipline in Colonial New England. By Charles Francis Adams, A.B. Pp. 43.

Bedford, England. A Historical Sketch. By Rev. E. G. Porter. Pamphlet, 16 pages.

Notes and Additions to the History of Gloucester. Second Series. By John J. Babson. Salem. 1891. 8vo. pp. 187.

General John W. Phelps. A paper read before the New-England Historic Genealogical Society. By Cecil H. C. Howard. Dec. 1. 1886.

Dedication Memorial Library. Acton, Mass. 1890. 8vo. pp. 46.

Record of the First Church in Dorchester, 1636 to 1734. Boston. 1891. 8vo. pp. 40.

Influence of the Netherlands upon England and the American Republic. By William Elliot Griffis, D.D. Boston. 1891. Pamphlet pp. 40.

The Influence of the Clergy in the War of the Revolution. By Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D.D.

Captain Thomas Lawrence's Company, 1758. By Samuel Abbott Green, M.D. Cambridge. 1890. Pamphlet 8vo. pp. 15.

A History of the Putnam Family. Part 1. By Eben Putnam. Salem. 1891. pp. 64.

The Church in Nova Scotia. Rev. A. W. Eaton, B.A. Pp. 320. 12mo. 1891.

II. *Other Publications.*

Transactions of the Royal Historical Society. 1891. Vol. V. New Series.

The Anatomy of Astrangia Danæ. Natural History Illustrations. Prepared under the direction of Louis Agassiz, 1849. Published by the Smithsonian Institution. 1889.

Six Species of North American Fresh Water Fishes. Louis Agassiz and Spencer F. Baird, 1849. Published by the Smithsonian Institution. 1889.

Archæologia. Tracts relating to Antiquity. Second Series. London. 1890. Vol. II. 4to. pp. 788.

Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries. London. Session of 1890–1891.

Centennial of the First Congregational Church. Jericho, Vt. 1791–1891. Historical Addresses by Hon. Edgar H. Lane and Rev. Austin Hazen. Burlington, Vt. 1891.

Americans of Royal Descent. By Charles H. Browning. Philadelphia. 1891. Second Edition. 8vo. pp. 732.

Memorial Sermon on the Life and Character of Bishop Benjamin H. Paddock, S.T.D. By Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, D.D., LL.D. of Rhode Island. 1891. pp. 31.

Samuel Slater and the Cotton Manufacture in the United States. By William K. Bagnall, M.A.

Illustrated Popular Biography of Connecticut. Compiled by J. A. Spaulding. Hartford. 1891. 8vo. pp. 374,

Old Colony Historical Society's Record. Collections, 1, 2, 3, 4. 1878–1889. Pamphlets.

Lyndeborough, N. H. Historical Address by Rev. T. G. Clark. Concord. 1891. Pp. 68.

Proceedings of the Mass. Historical Society. Second Series. Vol. VI. 1890–1891. Published by the Society. 1891. Octavo, pp. 538.

Minnesota Historical Collections. Vol. VI. 1891. Part 2. pp. 319.

Centennial Anniversary of the Presbyterian Church. Barnet, Vt. 1891. Pamphlet, pp. 42.

Necrology of Princeton Theological Seminary. Vol. I., 1875–1889. 1891. Princeton.

Proceedings of the Bunker Hill Monument Association. Bunker Hill Monument Association. 1891. Octavo, pp. 70.

Class of 1875, Harvard College. Harvard College Secretary's Report, No. 6, 1875 to 1891. Pp. 125.

Society of California Pioneers. Annual Meeting. Third Annual Report of the Secretary. Boston, Sept. 9, 1890. Pamphlet, pp. 14.

The Site of Fort St. George. By W. Scott Hill, M.D., President of the Kennebec Natural History and Antiquarian Society. 1891.

Memoirs of Horatio Wood. By his son Horatio Wood. Lowell. 1891. Pamphlet, pp. 31.

Annual Report of American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Published by the Board. 1891.

The War of the Rebellion Series. Vol. XXXIV., Part III. Vol. XXXV., Parts I., II. Vol. XXXVI., Part I. Washington, D. C. 1891. Government Printing Office.

Early Days of Woodstock, N. B. Anniversary of the Ordination of Rev. Fredk. Diblee. Pamphlet, pp. 28.

Some of the Beginnings of Westchester County Historical Society. Printed by Westchester County Historical Society. 1890.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Quarter Millenary of the Pillsbury Family.—The 250th anniversary of the settlement of William Pillsbury in New England was commemorated by a meeting of his descendants at Newburyport, Mass., on Thursday, Sept. 3, 1891. This is the third reunion of this family, the first meeting being held in 1888, at which 106 persons were present, and the second in 1889, when 111 were present. This is the largest gathering that has yet been held, 176 descendants being present. These reunions have been brought about through the exertions of Misses Emily A. and Ellen P. Getchell of Newburyport, who are descendants and who have spent much time in preparing a genealogy of the Pillsbury family. The president, Hon. A. E. Pillsbury of Boston, presided at the gathering. The

literary exercises consisted of speeches and poems. A dinner was served and the site of the old Pillsbury house in High street was visited. A full list of officers was chosen. Among them were Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury, president; Hon. E. I. Pillsbury of Charlestown, Mass., secretary; Mr. Charles E. Pillsbury of Biddeford, Me., treasurer; and Miss Emily A. Getchell of Newburyport, historian. The meeting seems to have passed off very pleasantly. A full report is printed in the *Salem Press Historical and Genealogical Record* for October, 1891, pp. 68 to 78, and in the *Newburyport Daily Standard*, Sept. 4, 1891.

MR. AND MRS. EDWARD E. SALISBURY of New Haven, Conn., are printing, "privately," and have nearly completed, a book of "Family Histories and Genealogies." It is not a mere collection of names and dates, but a book of family-history, adding to previous information many new facts which have been obtained abroad, as well as in this country. The book will be of great and ever-increasing interest to present and future generations of the families specified, and their allies, and also valuable to genealogists, antiquaries, and historians, in general. The work comprises monographs on the families of McCurdy, Mitchell, Lord, Lynde, Digby Newdigate, Willoughby, Griswold, Wolcott, Pitkin, Ogden, Johnson, Diodati, Lee, and Marvin; with notes, more or less full, on the families of Buchanan, Parmelee, Boardman, Lay, Hoo, Locke, Cole, DeWolf, Drake, Bond, Swayne, Dunbar, and Clarke. The text, indexes, and armorial bearings, accompanied by thirty-one large folded pedigree charts, on bond paper, will be in three volumes large 4to. of about fifteen hundred pages. The edition is of three hundred copies, of which nearly two-thirds have been sold or otherwise appropriated. Mr. and Mrs. Salisbury will give further information, on application.

TITLED FAMILIES IN AMERICA.—The descendants of those who have received titles or decorations of honor from royalty for meritorious actions are requested to send their pedigrees and other information to F. G. Forsyth, Norfolk, Va., who is collecting material for a work of the above name.

THE MATERNAL ANCESTORS OF JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.—Paymaster Joseph Foster, U.S.N., of Portsmouth, N. H., has written two very interesting articles on this subject, which were printed in the *Portsmouth Journal*, Sept. 5, 1891, and the New York *Critic*, Oct. 10, 1891. Among the families mentioned from which Mr. Lowell was descended on the mother's side are Spence, Traill, Whipple and Cutt. Several generations of the maternal ancestors of this eminent poet, essayist and statesman resided in Portsmouth.

Professor C. E. Norton, Mr. Lowell's literary executor, says, that these articles are "a very useful contribution to the history of Mr. Lowell's family, and all the more interesting because many of the most striking traits of his character and genius came to him from his mother's side."

REGISTER OF S. MARY'S PARISH CHURCH, READING, BERKS.—The Rev. Gibbs Payne Crawfurd, M.A., has issued a prospectus for publishing the registers of this church, from 1538 to 1812. It is proposed to publish the work in two volumes, vol. 1 to contain Baptisms, and vol. 2 Marriages and Burials. The first volume is now in press. It will make a volume of 336 pages on extra thick paper with vellem back, gold-lettered. A complete index of persons and places, and a list of subscribers will be given. The edition will be limited to 100 copies. The greatest care has been taken to ensure accuracy. Subscriptions should be sent to Rev. Mr. Crawfurd, 38 Baker Street, Reading, Berks., England. Price to subscribers £1. 1s. post free.

FOSTER'S ADDRESS ON GEN. WILLIAM WHIPPLE, SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.—The *Portsmouth Daily Evening Times*, Nov. 23, 1891, contains a full report of the address on William Whipple by Paymaster Joseph Foster, U. S. N., delivered at Music Hall, Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 20th, on the occasion of the presentation of the portraits of Whipple and Farragut by Storer Post No. 1, G. A. R., to the schools bearing those names. This address will also appear in a pamphlet soon to be issued containing the proceedings on that occasion.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Elder.—A genealogy of the Elder family in Scotland, Ireland, Canada, and the United States, is being compiled by J. J. Elder, 1 Board of Trade, Indianapolis. He would be obliged for authentic information as to the origin of the name, and the early history of the family; also for genealogies of the different branches of the family in the above-mentioned countries.

Mathewson and Sproule.—J. J. Elder, 1 Board of Trade, Indianapolis, Ind., has in preparation genealogies of these families. The Mathewsons crossed from the Hebrides, Scotland, into the north of Ireland, about two hundred years ago; and from these most of their descendants have emigrated to the New World, and are settled at Montreal, Winnipeg, Detroit, New York and many other places on this continent. The Sproules, who have frequently intermarried with the Mathewsons, were Lairds of Cowden in Scotland, from the time of Robert Bruce. They sold their estates to the Earls of Dundonald, and removed to County Tyrone, Ireland, where the majority of their descendants reside, but a portion of them are in the United States. Mr. Elder has already collected some valuable materials, and invites correspondence.

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The Archives of the Corporation of Andover. By the Rev. R. H. CLUTTERBUCK, Rector of Penton Mewsey. Part I. Reprinted from the "Andover Advertiser." Sm. 8vo. pp. 80. Price one shilling.

The town of Andover in Hampshire, though but a small place, is still of some importance as the centre of a large agricultural district, and anciently, no doubt, when the textile trades were carried on in this part of the county, was of no small note. From a very early date it was a corporate town, and the men of Andover received the grant of a gild merchant upwards of seven hundred years ago. Necessarily there has been a vast accumulation of records, and it is most remarkable how very many of them have been preserved to our day. The rolls on which are recorded the maneloquium or "morrow speech" of the town council—the minutes, as we should say now—go back as early as the reign of Henry III., and so do the enrolments. Only those who have seen these records have any idea how extensive and numerous they are. Fifty-five years ago Mr. Footner, the then town clerk, reported to the Record Commission that neither he nor anyone in the district could read them. The corporation even then was alive to the importance of taking care of them, and employed a Mr. Titheridge to sort them. He catalogued them to some extent, but there remained and has remained ever since a vast mass of parchments and papers in utter confusion. Lately the town council has taken up the question of their assortment, and the task of classifying them has been entrusted to Mr. Clutterbuck, a beneficed clergyman in the neighborhood of Andover, who has had great experience in decyphering records. The present pamphlet is the result of some of his work. Very wisely instead of waiting till every document was examined and classed, he has made abstracts and extracts as he has gone along, and sent them week by week to the local newspaper. The result is perhaps somewhat mixed, but antiquaries will not grumble when they see the mass of information thus placed before them.

In the present part we have first some wills of local people, and then come "Abjurations tem. William III.," with many lists of names. Next are two bundles of "Recognizances," 1649–1702. Then follow a series of "indictments," temp. William III., as well as miscellaneous documents. At page 89 we find an excellent account of the court leet of Andover and its local features. Mr. Clutterbuck gives numerous extracts of the time of William III., from the presentments of the jury with lists of the inhabitants returned by the tithing men, followed by specimens of the presentments made at the view of Frank pledge in the time of Elizabeth.

The records of Andover will be of great interest to New-England folk, for Andover, Mass., was largely peopled from the old Hampshire town. Mr. Clutterbuck has intimated that while the sorting goes on he is willing to note any names of interest to American genealogists. After his work is completed that will not be possible, as the records are unindexed.

When we remember that this work originally appeared in the columns of a newspaper it must be admitted that it makes a very respectable show, and the proprietors of the *Andover Advertiser* must be congratulated on the result. Their example is one which might with advantage be followed by other local newspapers. We shall look forward to the next part, and can cordially recommend it. It is a marvel of cheapness.

By W. P. W. Phillimore, M.A., B.C.L., of London, England.

History of Braintree, Massachusetts (1639–1708). The North Precinct of Braintree (1708–1792), and the Town of Quincy (1792–1889). By CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS. Cambridge: Printed at the Riverside Press. 1891. 8vo. pp. 365. Fifty copies only printed and distributed by the author.

Some Phases of Sexual Morality and Church Discipline in Colonial New England. By CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS. (Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society, June, 1891). Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1891. 8vo. pp. 45.

Here may be read the rise and course of a New-England town, whose citizens were mostly rude, uncultivated, often perverse, men, endued with the ordinary attributes of selfishness, yet controlled and directed by the few more intelligent and broader minds, at whose head for the early generations was the minister and, later, the wealthy and educated families, whose fortunes acquired elsewhere supported them in ease and moderate affluence on the barren soil. When the throes of revolution came, it is evident how eagerly the humbler classes, who had little to lose, entered into it, and how reluctant and hesitant were the more wealthy; how small a portion of the men went to war with the mother land; and how lightly the expense of the struggle was borne. The mighty change which took place, when the money value of the ledges beneath the hard surface was developed, is clearly set forth, leading forward to conditions which forced the expansion of the town into the city of to-day, and its preparation for incorporation, by and by, into the larger Boston of the future.

The influence of the Norman element was for the best interests of the whole community. In no New-England town was the energy, the enterprise and the formative power of the blooded families, settled among the people, more pronounced than as exemplified by the Quincys, the Apthorps, the Borlands, the Cleverleys and the Vassalls of Braintree. Content to subsist on the product of their farms, with very moderate margins for income, they dwelt as did their humbler neighbors, in every day life and labor; but their wise and masterful direction of public affairs was manifest and paramount at the annual March meeting, where the right of free discussion and vote always existed. In business there was very small traffic, for there was almost no money, and no surplus was raised. The farming barely supported the inhabitants; probably would not, had not proximity to Boston and easy access by water furnished a ready market for the cider, the pumpkins and the beans, spared from slender hoards to supply indispensable wants and the taxes. Small fisheries flourished, and vegetables were exported to Spanish and other tropical, or semi-tropical, ports. Out of this and, as it grew, quitting Braintree, came Colonial commerce and the hardy seamen who conducted it. In this history, that of Braintree was very similar to that of other Massachusetts coast towns; the gentle blood filled the highest political stations, while the deacon, the highest elective church official, came from the plain people. The minister was imported and, we are afraid,

very meanly and grudgingly supported. The narrow thoughts and petty lives of the towns-people, the vulgarity of their manners, the lax moral tone and universal intemperance, prevalent in the Colonial period, are well known to all students and searchers of county records. Distilleries were frequent, taverns ubiquitous and every country store had its open bar. The indictments of the grand juries evidence the gross indulgence, of which only the most flagrant and grievous cases came to public notice. The records of Essex and Middlesex parallel, if not surpass any cases cited in the pamphlet, whose title is given above and which is printed as an appendix to this volume. Great stress was practised in haling before the courts respondents for acts, to-day regarded as private or of small public concern.

All this and much more Mr. Adams shows in a series of delightful chapters, with full record of the ultimate changes effected by the railway and the granite. Such is the wholesome flavor of the antiquary and the political philosopher, which pervades the volume, that one is at a loss for preference between the Braintree of the past and the Quincy of the present; or to determine if, indeed, the author has such a preference. As Mr. Adams announces this volume preliminary to a more extended work, we hope he will see his way to add appendices of town and church official lists; records of births, marriages and deaths, with more extended genealogies of the leading families, whose reputation and fame have carried the name of the city into almost half the states of the Union, even to the distant commonwealths on the Pacific Coast, as well as furnished an acceptable prænomen in innumerable instances.

By George A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Year-Book of the New York Society of Sons of the Revolution. New York: Exchange Printing Company. 8vo. pp. 282.

This handsome specimen of the printer's and binder's skill surpasses the previous publications of this Society, the pioneer in arousing a worthy respect for the men who fought in the War of the Revolution.

Instituted in 1876, re-awakened and re-organized in 1888, since the later date by its example it has been the means of creating an interest throughout the Union and has extended the right hand of fellowship to societies organized in the states of Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, Iowa, New Jersey, Georgia and Massachusetts, uniting with them and forming a National Society.

Lists of the officers of the different state societies are found in the pages of the book, the Constitution of the General Society and By-Laws of the New York Society.

The importance of the work to genealogists lies in an alphabetical list of the members' names, with their relationship to their Revolutionary ancestors and the active service of the ancestor through whom their claim for membership rests. As such claims are from authorized documentary evidence, the accuracy of the record can be readily appreciated by those who have been furnished traditionary evidence of by-gone days.

The prevalence of prominent names of the Revolutionary period is marked on a perusal of the record of its nine hundred and two members, a majority of whom have supplementary claims of descent from active participants in the struggle for freedom; that the energetic spirit which pervaded the soldiers and statesmen of those days has not deteriorated is evidenced by the fact that the New York Society includes in its membership men of high social standing and familiar to all the present generation by their national reputation in their different callings.

Incorporated in the work is the stirring address delivered by Prof. Henry P. Johnson on May 11, 1891, on "Ticonderoga, or the Defeat of the Old World in the New," and a poem on "The Name of Washington," by Geo. Parsons Lathrop.

Several illustrations specially engraved for this work are inserted, one of which is a portrait of Washington copied from Conder's picture.

By Walter K. Watkins, Esq., of Chelsea, Mass.

Year-Book of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for 1891; to which is prefixed a History of the Organization of the Society, set forth in Official Reports. Hartford, Conn.: Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1892. Pp. 214. Price $1.00.

On the organization, March 7, 1889, of the New Jersey Sons of the American

Revolution, by a few of the members of the New York Society of Sons of the Revolution, a circular was issued by the New Jersey Society for the formation of state societies.

Connecticut promptly responded in April, 1889, organizing a state society. Unlike the New Jersey and other of the state societies of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Connecticut Society's requirements for membership are more strict and similar to those of the Sons of the Revolution, with whom from a similarity of names it has often been confounded. That the parent name of Sons of the Revolution be taken is the desire of many members, and it can be readily appreciated by all as a simple solution to rectify an unfortunate choice of a name, and where a common interest demands union in words and deeds.

The history of the growth of the society shows the untiring efforts of its officers and members, which have culminated in producing a membership of over five hundred.

Added to a list of members is a valuable necrology of those who, having reverenced the deeds of their ancestors, have joined the great army as fellow members with them.

The typographical qualities of the book are enhanced by photo-mechanical reproductions of portraits of Jonathan Trumbull and Israel Putnam.

The work as a whole reflects great credit on the Committee of Publication, Messrs Joseph W. Woodward, Lucius F. Robinson, Jonathan F. Morris, Lucius P. Deming and Rufus W. Griswold.

By Walter K. Watkins, Esq., of Chelsea, Mass.

Town Records of Manchester, from 1718 to 1769, as contained in the "Commoners' Records," and the "Fourth Book of Town Records," 1736 to 1786. Volume II. Salem, Mass.: The Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co., 1891. 8vo. pp. 212.

The publication by the town of Manchester, Mass., of a printed volume containing all the general records of the town which have been preserved to us from the beginning down to the year 1786, comprised in the Second and Third Books of the Town Records, was noticed in the REGISTER for January, 1890 (xliv. 125), and the hope was expressed that the good work would not be allowed to stop there, but that steps should be taken to carry it on to completion.

At the annual town meeting held in March, 1890, the town voted to continue the printing of its ancient records, and the volume before us is the result. It contains the Fourth Book of the Records of the Town, from 1736 to 1786, with the exception of certain tax lists and constables' receipts. There are added also extracts from the volume entitled "Commoners' Records," beginning in 1718 and ending in 1769. These extracts were printed in accordance with another vote of the town passed at the same meeting. The volume is provided with an index of persons arranged by Christian and surnames, and an index of places and subjects.

To the able and efficient town clerk, Alfred S. Jewett, and the committee, Daniel Leach, D. L. Bingham and William H. Tappan, who have so cordially co-operated with him, the town is indebted for the success of this effort to preserve from destruction the fast-decaying records of one of the oldest towns in Massachusetts. It must be remembered that these ancient records concern not only those who now live within the narrow limits of the town, but the descendants, scattered all over the Union, of its early settlers, and indeed all antiquaries and historical scholars everywhere throughout the land, for they are part of the history of the Commonwealth, and that history cannot be properly written without a thorough study of the history of the towns that comprise it. The printing of such volumes as these is now for the first time making these town records accessible to the historian.

The hope is again expressed that long before the approaching celebration of the 250th anniversary of the town, all its records from the earliest times down to at least the beginning of the present century, if not later, may be put beyond the reach of destruction by the art of the printer. The printed page is a monument more lasting than brass, and it is the only monument which is imperishable.

By John T. Hassam, A.M., of Boston.

Young Folks' History of the United States. By THOMAS WENTWORTH HIGGINSON. Boston: Lee & Shepard, Publishers. New York: Charles T. Dillingham. 1891. 8vo. pp. vi.+400+33. Price $1.50.

This very readable little history will be instructive to adults as well as to children. Col. Higginson treats his subject carefully, fairly, and in a way which ought to interest the young. The period of the civil war, perhaps the most difficult of any to the historian, especially to the writer of a "popular" work, is admirably portrayed. Col. Higginson is well qualified for his task, and has shown discretion not only in what he has so well arranged and condensed, but in what he has omitted altogether. The illustrations are numerous and pleasing, and the chronological table, and the questions, which latter fill thirty-three pages, will be of great assistance. The list of "Books for Consultation" contained in the appendix, and the statistics given, show excellent judgment in selection. The volume contains a map of what is now the United States, with data explaining the accessions of territory at different times. We have examined several "popular" state histories in the past few years which fail to serve the purpose for which they were intended, because the works are superficial and lacking in the very respects and characteristics which commend the volume before us. A "popular" history which does not contain the constitution of the state or nation which is its subject, and which devotes a few lines only to one important epoch, and many unnecessary pages to another, is a poor thing. We take pleasure in recommending Col. Higginson's book, and consider it a remarkably good Young Folks' History of the United States.

By George Kuhn Clarke, LL.B. of Needham, Mass.

The Original Mother Goose's Melody, as issued by John Newbery, London, circa *1760; Isaiah Thomas of Worcester,* circa *1785, and Monroe & Francis,* circa *1825. Reproduced in fac-simile from the first Worcester edition. With Introductory Notes.* By WILLIAM H. WHITMORE. *To which are added The Fairy Tales of Mother Goose, first collected by Perrault in 1696, reprinted from the original translation into English by R. Samber in 1729.* Damrell & Upham, The Old Corner Book Store, Boston. Griffith, Farran & Co., Limited, Newbery House, London, 1892. Price $1.50.

The first edition of Mr. Whitmore's monograph on Mother Goose was published in October, 1890, and was noticed by us in January, 1891. In that work Mr. Whitmore successfully showed the true nature of the fables about the authorship of Mother Goose's Melodies, which for a quarter of a century have been so industriously circulated; and he showed the true origin of the name and the melodies.

The present edition is much enlarged and improved. The author's positions have been fortified by new proofs. Among the newspapers of the second half of the last century he finds evidence that the booksellers and printers of Boston gave the children of New England a chance to become familiar with some of the characteristic melodies collected by Newbery. I have little doubt that copies of the whole book, Mother Goose's Melody, were imported and sold in Boston soon after Newbery issued it in London. The most important addition to this edition is a fac-simile reprint of a New York edition of 1795, of Mr. Charles Perrault's Tales, which Mr. Whitmore showed in his last edition gave popularity to the name, Mother Goose. A memoir and portrait of Perrault are given. Mr. Whitmore's research leaves little to be desired on the questions he discusses.

Montcalm and Wolfe. By FRANCIS PARKMAN. Fourteenth edition (being part seventh of his France and England in North America). Boston: published by Little, Brown & Company. University Press, John Wilson & Son. 1890. 2 vols. 8vo. pp. xvi.+514 and x.+502.

This is the fourteenth edition of a well-known standard work, which tells the story of the events that led to the capture of Quebec, and of its important and far-reaching results. As a historian we consider Mr. Parkman as able, accurate and happy in his style as any of the writers who by laborious research have presented to the world trustworthy accounts of the development of the American continent. What Bancroft has done to illumine the history of the United States, and Prescott to throw light upon the Spanish conquests in the new world,

Parkman has to a large degree accomplished in his chosen domain, the struggle of France and Great Britain for supremacy in America. The second volume contains a likeness of Wolfe at the age of sixteen years, and is the only picture of him known to exist, as he never after sat for his portrait.

By George Kuhn Clarke, LL.B. of Needham, Mass.

Fragments of Revolutionary History. Being hitherto unpublished writings of the Men of the American Revolution, collected and edited under authority of the District of Columbia Society, Sons of the Revolution. By GAILLARD HUNT, Registrar and Historian. Brooklyn, N. Y.: The Historical Printing Club. 1892. 8vo. pp. 200. Price in paper $2.00, in half leather $2.50.

The interest excited by the formation of Societies of Sons of the Revolution have led to the gathering and publication of much that is pertinent to that period of the nation's history.

In this collection of letters, which is mainly in the possession of some of the members of the District of Columbia Society of Sons of the Revolution, the historian and student will find new material and corroboration of previous publications on the Revolutionary War.

Especially can this be said regarding that part of the struggle when the operations were in the southern states. The correspondence of Morgan, Mercer and Lafayette are of special value. The interest is also quickened by the addition of Washington Letters, the appearance in print of which is always hailed with ardor by the student of American history, and which awaken envious dreams in the autograph collector.

By Walter K. Watkins, Esq., of Chelsea, Mass.

A Record, Genealogical, Biographical and Statistical of Thomas Stanton of Connecticut and His Descendants, 1635–1891. By WILLIAM A. STANTON, Ph.D., D.D. Albany, N. Y.: Joel Munsell's Sons. 1891. 8vo. pp. 618. Price $7 in uncut boards, or $8 in leather binding.

The Beckwiths. By PAUL BECKWITH. Albany, N. Y. 1891. 8vo. pp. 384. Address the author, Paul Beckwith, Esq., St. Louis, Missouri.

Autumn Leaves from Family Trees: Historical, Biographical and Genealogical Materials relating to the Cauffman, Chidsey, Churchman, Foster, Montgomery, Rodenbough, Shewell and affiliated families. Gathered and pressed for whom it may concern, by a kinsman, THOMAS FRANCIS RODENBOUGH. Illustrated. New York. 1892. 8vo. pp. 304. Edition 150 copies. A few copies remain unsold which can be obtained of Messrs. Clark & Zugalla, publishers, 33 Gold Street, New York, for $5 a copy postpaid.

Genealogy. Strobridge, Morrison or Morison, Strawbridge. By MARY STILES (PAUL) GUILD. Lowell, Mass.: Vox Populi Press, S. W. Huse & Co. 1891. 8vo. pp. xxix.+299. Edition 500 copies.

Forbes and Forbush Genealogy. The Descendants of Daniel Forbush who came from Scotland about the year 1665, and settled in Marlborough, Mass., in 1675. By FREDERICK CLIFTON PIERCE of Chicago, Ill. Published for the author. 1892. 8vo. pp. 199.

History of the Dudley Family. Number VI. By DEAN DUDLEY. Wakefield, Mass.: Dean Dudley, Publisher. 1892. 8vo. pp. 114. Price $1 per Number.

Genealogy of the Estabrook Family, including the Esterbrooks and Easterbrooks of the United States. By WILLIAM BOOTH ESTABROOK. Ithaca, N. Y.: Andrus & Church. 1891. 12mo. pp. 359. Price: cloth plain $3; cloth gilt edges $4; half morocco $5; full morocco $6. Postage 10 cts. extra.

Wheeler and Warren Families. Descendants of George Wheeler, Concord, Mass., 1630, through Deacon Thomas Wheeler, 1696, and of John Warren, Boston, Mass., 1630, through Ebenezer Warren, Leicester, Mass., 1744. Compiled by HENRY WARREN WHEELER. Albany, N. Y.: Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers. 1892. Fcp. 4to. pp. 121.

Clason, Clawson, Classon, Closson, Clanson. Stephen Clason of Stamford, Connecticut, in 1654, and some of his Descendants. Compiled and arranged

from data chiefly collected by Oliver B. Clason of Gardiner, Maine. By WILLIAM B. LAPHAM. Augusta: Kennebec Journal Print. 1892. 8vo. pp. 144. Cloth. Price $2.

Historical Sketches of John Moses of Plymouth, a Settler of 1632 to 1640: John Moses of Windsor and Simsbury, a Settler prior to 1647; and John Moses of Portsmouth, a Settler prior to 1640, and a Genealogical Record of some of their Descendants. By ZEBINA MOSES. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1890. 8vo. pp. 138.

Descendants of Aaron and Mary (Church) Magoun, Pembroke, Mass. With Illustrations and a Complete Index. Third Edition. By SAMUEL BRECK, U. S. A. Washington, D. C.: Rufus H. Darby, Book and Job Printer. 1891. 8vo. pp. 28+v.

Thones Kunders and his Children. Also a list of the Descendants for six generations of his youngest son, Henry Cunreds of Whitpain. By Henry C. CONRAD. Press of W. Costa, Wilmington. Fcp. 4to. pp. 105+23.

First Re-union of the Hills Family of Franklin, Mass., with Historical Notes. By EDWIN M. HILLS. Published for family purposes. C. A. Hack & Son, Taunton. 1891. 8vo. pp. 47.

A Brief History of the Sheppard Family, formerly seated at the Manors of Avening, Minchinhampton and Colesbourne, in the County of Gloucestershire, England. With Pedigrees of the Elder and Junior Branches of these Ancient Families. Compiled from Authentic Sources by WILLIAM ALBERT SHEPPARD. Calcutta: Printed by Thomas S. Smith, City Press, 12 Bentinck Street. 1891. 8vo. pp. 39. For private circulation only.

The Family of Merriam of Massachusetts. By W. S. APPLETON. Boston: David Clapp & Son. 1892. 8vo. pp. 15.

Notes on the Descendants of James Spencer (Junior) of Spencer Hall, Talbot County, Maryland. 1892. 8vo. pp. 26.

Lee of Virginia. 8vo. pp. 23.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of genealogical publications.

The first book on our list is a bulky volume on the Stanton Family, descendants of Thomas Stanton, an early settler of New England, who was prominent in the affairs of the Massachusetts and Connecticut colonies. The author is the Rev. Dr. Stanton of Pittsburgh, Pa. He has evidently devoted great labor to the work, and has been very successful in the collection of biographical and genealogical facts. The book makes over six hundred pages, and contains over one thousand families and more than ten thousand names. Besides the Stanton genealogy proper, records of many other families who intermarried with the Stantons are here preserved, among which may be named those of Allen, Avery, Babcock, Baldwin, Barber, Brown, Bryant, Chesebrowe, Crandall, Denison, Frink, Gallup, Geer, Hewitt, Noyes, Palmer, Prentice, Rust, Smith, Thompson, West, Wheeler, Wilcox and Williams. The book is well compiled, clearly arranged and well indexed. It is printed on thick white paper, and is very creditable to the publishers, Messrs. Joel Munsell's Sons of Albany.

The next book is on the Beckwith family, and is compiled by Paul Beckwith of St. Louis, Mo., formerly of Washington, D. C. The earlier portion of the volume is devoted to the English Beckwiths, and the later to those of that name in this country. A "Roll of Honor" is given, recording the services of persons by the name in American wars from 1655 to 1865, evidently a work of much labor. The genealogy is very full and is well compiled. It has a good index. Mr. Beckwith wishes those interested to send him any records and facts which they may possess, and which are not found in this volume, as he wishes to continue his History of the American Beckwiths.

Mr. Rodenbough's "Autumn Leaves from Family Trees" contains genealogies of the seven families whose names are found on the title page, besides genealogical matter relating to other families connected with them. They are carefully compiled. The book is one of the most tasteful of recent additions to genealogical literature. It is handsomely printed and bound, and profusely illustrated with portraits and other engravings. It has a good index.

The next book is devoted to the genealogies of the families named on the title page. Part I. contains the descendants of William Strobridge, who came from Ireland early in the last century and settled in Middleborough, Mass., where he died Nov. 14, 1777, aged 87. Part II. contains the descendants of William Morrison, son of Robert, who settled at North Bridgewater, Mass., in 1740. A third part contains a partial genealogy of the Strawbridge family in America descended from various stocks. The book is compiled in a very thorough and satisfactory manner, is handsomely printed with numerous fine portraits and other engravings. It has full indexes.

The next volume gives the descendants of Daniel Forbush, who settled in Marlborough, Mass., in the latter part of the seventeenth century. In the REGISTER for April, 1858, the late Andrew H. Ward has an article on "Changes in Surnames," and cites numerous ways in which the surname of this settler and his descendants appear on the records and elsewhere, such as Farrabas, Forbush, Farrowbush and Forbes. The emigrant has many living descendants of prominence, many of whom spell their name Furbush, some Forbes, and others use various varieties of the surname. The author, Col. Pierce, has had much experience as a writer of local and family history, and this book is a good specimen of his work.

A new part of the Dudley genealogy has just been issued, filled with valuable matter relating to the Dudleys and their descendants. Some interesting matter relating to the English Dudleys, with a view of Dudley Castle and a plan of the grounds, is here found. A large portion of the number is devoted to families descended from Gov. Thomas Dudley, the Allens, the Appletons, the Atkinses, the Baileys, the Backuses, the Barbers, the Bartletts, the Beans, the Blaisdells, the Blakes, the Blunts, the Bradleys, the Bradstreets, the Brookses, and other families whose names are found in the remaining letters of the alphabet. A full biography of Gov. Simon Bradstreet and Anne Dudley his wife, the first American poetess, adds much to the value of the work. Fine portraits embellish the work. We hope that the author will meet with encouragement enough to continue the work.

The Estabrook volume is a valuable book, and the author has laid those bearing his name under great obligations. There are various families of Estabrook in this country. The ancestor of the earliest appears to be Rev. Joseph Estabrook who came to New England in 1660, was graduated from Harvard College in 1664, and three years later was ordained as a colleague of Rev. Edward Bulkley over the church at Concord, Mass. The book is well compiled and has a good index.

The book devoted to the Wheeler and the Warren families descended from the persons named in the title page. The genealogical and biographical details are full and precise. The book is handsomely printed and well indexed.

Mr. Oliver B. Clason of Gardner, Maine, has been five years engaged in collecting materials for a genealogy of the descendants of Stephen Clason, an early settler of Stamford, Conn. He has placed his material in the hands of Dr. William B. Lapham, who has had much experience in compiling family and local histories, and who has arranged and compiled the book in a very satisfactory manner.

The book on the several families of Moses whose ancestors are named on the title page of the next book contains very satisfactory accounts of those families. The compiler, Mr. Moses, of Washington, D. C., has been very successful in researches. The book is well arranged, well indexed and well printed.

The Magoun volume is by Bvt. Brig.-Gen. Samuel Breck, U.S.A., of Washington, D. C., the author of the Breck genealogy noticed by us in January, 1891. It was prepared as a memorial of the author's grandmother, Mrs. Ruth Church (Magoun) Breck, and is a worthy memorial of her and her kindred.

The work on the Kunders, Cunreds or Conrad family is by Mr. Conrad, attorney at law, in Wilmington, Delaware. The emigrant ancestor was Thones Kunders, one of the little band of German emigrants who in 1683 settled at Germantown, Pa. His youngest son Henry, who spelt his surname Cunreds, settled at Whitpain, Montgomery County, and it is to his descendants that this book is chiefly devoted. The author has been very successful in obtaining materials, particularly biographical data relating to the emigrant and his sons. The book is well compiled, well indexed and well printed.

The next work is a report of the proceedings at the first gathering of the Hills family, which took place on Monday, Sept. 7, 1891, at the old homestead in Franklin, Mass. The historical address was by Mr. Edwin M. Hills of Taunton, Mass. It contains many interesting biographical sketches of persons of the name and blood. The book preserves much valuable historical and genealogical material.

The work on the Sheppard family is by Mr. William A. Sheppard of Calcutta, India, a nephew of John H. Sheppard, A.M., of Boston, Mass., a memoir of whom is printed in the REGISTER for October, 1873. Four years ago Mr. Sheppard traced the ancestry of his family to the latter part of the sixteenth century, and published a tabular pedigree giving the result of his labors, which pedigree was noticed by us in October, 1888. In the present pamphlet Mr. Sheppard furnishes much valuable and interesting matter relative to the various members of the family. Particularly interesting is the diary of his father, Mr. George Albert Sheppard, who was born in Hallowell, Maine, in 1792, and died in Calcutta in 1857. The earlier portion of the diary has references to many prominent New-England people of that day. The tabular pedigree published in 1887 has been reprinted in this work.

Mr. Appleton, the author of the next work, contributed to the REGISTER in April, 1868, and April, 1870, articles on the Merriam family. He has added other matter and revised the whole, and now presents his work on the Family of Mirriam of Massachusetts in a much improved form.

The Spencer notes are by Mr. Theodore F. Jewell of Newport, R. I. They contain in a condensed form the result of some years of research. A genealogical manuscript written in 1849 by Samuel W. Spencer, M.D., of Florida, has been used in compiling the pamphlet.

The pamphlet entitled "Lee of Virginia" is a reprint to the valuable contribution of Mr. J. Henry Lea to the REGISTER for January and April, 1892.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

HERRICK GENEALOGY.—All the remaining printed sheets of the "Herrick Genealogy," published in 1885, and noticed by us in October of that year, were destroyed by a fire which burned the book bindery, where they were stored, on Tuesday morning, January 26th. Thirty-one bound copies are all that the author, Lucius C. Herrick, M.D., has remaining on hand. These, fortunately, he had at his residence, 1447 Highland St., Columbus, Ohio. A little over two hundred copies were burned. Those who wish to obtain the book had better make application at once.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Coutant. By Arthur Beardsley, Swartmore College, Swartmore, Pa.—Mr. Beardsley is preparing a genealogy of the Coutant and related families, particularly those of Badeau and Gerou (Gerauld, Gerau, &c.), all Huguenot families who settled originally at New Rochelle, N. Y., and passed from that point to various parts of New York and New England, especially Connecticut. Those interested are requested to send their records to the above address. Circulars will be sent on application. The addresses of those who can furnish information is desired.

Fairchild.—Mrs. Annie Fairchild Plant, of Milton, Vt., has collected a large amount of material relating to the descendants of Thomas Fairchild, who came to Stratford, Conn., in 1639. Any person having matter relating to these descendants would oblige Mrs. Plant by sending the same to her.

Lee.—Edward Clinton Lee, Esq., Drexel Building, Philadelphia, Pa., is collecting the records for a genealogy of the descendants of William Lee of Bucks County, Pa. It will include the Lee Family of Bucks County. This William is said to have been a near relative of Richard Henry Lee of 1776. His descendants for many generations were quakers.

Pillsbury. By Miss E. A. Getchell of Newburyport.—The ancestor of this family, William Pillsbury, settled at Dorchester in 1641, and died in Newbury, 1686.

Poole. By William P. Greenlaw, No. 245 Putnam Avenue, Cambridgeport, Mass.—John Poole, the emigrant ancestor, died in Reading, Mass., April 1, 1667.

Savary.—In the REGISTER for April, 1881 (vol. 35, p. 184), a genealogy of this family was announced as in preparation by A. W. Savary. In October, 1887, Judge Savary contributed an article on the early generations of the Savary families to the REGISTER (vol. 41, pp. 369–88). We have just received a prospectus of the book on which he has so long been engaged, and which will be issued this year from the press of Alfred Mudge & Son, 24 Franklin St., Boston, Mass., if a sufficient number of subscribers to pay the cost of publication are obtained. It will make a volume of about 200 pages, and will be furnished at four dollars a copy, express or postage prepaid. The title of the book will be, "The Savery Families (Savory and Savary) of New England and Philadelphia and the Savery Family": a Genealogy with Biographical Sketches, including an extended sketch of the Life and Labors of William Savery, Minister of the Gospel in the Society of Friends, by A. W. Savary, M.A., of Annapolis Royal, N. S., assisted in the Genealogy by Miss Lydia A. Savary of East Wareham, Mass. Subscriptions should be addressed to A. W. Savary, Esq., Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia.

LOCAL HISTORY IN PREPARATION:

History of Taunton, Mass.—The Rev. Samuel Hopkins Emery, D.D., of Taunton, president of the Old Colony Historical Society, and author of "The Ministry of Taunton," published in 1853, has in preparation a history of that ancient town. Persons having facts or documents relating to Taunton are advised to send them at once to the Rev. Dr. Emery. Though the town records were burnt half a century ago, there is still much material preserved relating to the place, and with so competent an historian as Dr. Emery the book cannot fail to be valuable and interesting.

DID A MAJORITY OF THE DORCHESTER CHURCH GO TO WINDSOR?—Two phrases used in the review of the published volume of Dorchester First Church records, contained in the preceding number of the REGISTER, *ante* page 8, being deemed ambiguous by certain readers of the REGISTER and friends of the reviewer, he desires in the interest of correct history to be more explicit. The uncertainty is in these clauses: "A part of the Dorchester church of 1636, supposed to be a majority of the membership, emigrated at that time and founded the town of Windsor, Conn." "As the surviving pastor, Rev. John Warham, two deacons of the original church and a majority of members removed, it is the opinion of some that the church as an institution went also."

The reviewer had meant that his statement should be sufficiently guarded in using the words "supposed to be a majority," thinking that the qualifying word would be understood where the word "majority" again appears, and that it would be interpreted to be the same majority in each case. This view would be consistent with the use of the phrase later on, "Whatever may finally be concluded in the matter."

Still, the language might be construed to mean that it is generally so supposed; therefore, he would say that it has been so supposed by only a few persons, so far as he is aware. Certain citations given in the introduction of the volume in review seem to signify that Increase Mather, Cotton Mather, and Hubbard the historian, supposed a majority went to Windsor. The late editor of the Congregationalist, Rev. Henry M. Dexter, D.D., and those people in Windsor who think the church of that town to be the only original Dorchester Church, are to be classed in the same category.

On the other hand, the great mass of readers and students of the historical records make no supposition in the premises, but await evidence. And it would seem that the establishment, beyond controversy, of the fact that thirty-five church members remained in Dorchester (which is done by the authors of the introduction to the volume in review), puts upon those who do suppose as stated, the burden of summoning from the remote past an equal number of Dorchester names of church members, in Windsor, in 1636, as a basis for their conjecture.

DANIEL W. BAKER.

DEACONS OF THE FIRST CHURCH, DORCHESTER.—Rev. Dr. Thaddeus Mason Harris, in the appendix to his "discourse (page 23), delivered at Dorchester, October 10, 1804, at the Funeral of Deacon Abijah White," Deacon of the church, says, "Deacon John Moore, Deacon John Gayland" (meaning, probably, William Gaylard or Gaylord) "removed with the first church to Windsor, Con." What evidence have we that they were deacons, so far as William Gaylord is concerned?

Again. Deacon Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., in the History of Dorchester, page 79, writes, "William Rockwell, freeman in 1630. The first deacon with Mr. Gaylord of the Dorchester Church, signed the first land grants of the plantation. Moved to Connecticut." On page 52, "William Gaylord, one of the first deacons," "removed to Windsor." On page 68, "John Moore came as deacon of the church in 1630. He removed to Windsor, and was deacon of the church there." Can it be shown that John Moore was at any time deacon of the church in Dorchester?

William Gaylord had a grant of land in Dorchester, March 18, 1637–8. William Rockwell went to Windsor it is supposed, soon after Jan. 2, 1637–8. See Introduction to Dorchester Church Records, page xvi. Unless these two individuals went to Windsor, and returned, which is altogether improbable, they continued to be, from the beginning, inhabitants of Dorchester until 1638. Have we reliable authority for calling Gaylord and Rockwell deacons? I have found no contemporary evidence that they were. WILLIAM B. TRASK.

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The Genesis of the Massachusetts Town, and the Development of Town-Meeting Government. By CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, ABNER C. GOODELL, JR., MELLEN CHAMBERLAIN AND EDWARD CHANNING. [Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society, January, 1892.] Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1892. Pamphlet. 8vo. pp. 94.

These important papers, the productions of our best students in colonial and provincial history, deserve careful attention; for they reach conclusions different from those hitherto accepted by historians. If these are to stand, much current Massachusetts early history will need revision. Undoubtedly, in England, the Massachusetts Bay Company, the parent of the Colony, was an association of London merchants, similar to the Dorchester adventurers and others. As, with the bringing of the charter to this side of the water, the commercial organization developed, gradually, into the government of a community, otherwise ungoverned, and took upon itself the elements of statehood, so the individual constitutent communities, unincorporated, assumed the only form of democracy, or home rule, with which they were familiar and in which only were they experienced. It was so in the Plymouth settlement, ten years previous. English law and liberty, in like manner, had at an earlier date blossomed into civil government at Pemaquid and Sagadahoc in New England and at Jamestown in Virginia. This method of proceeding was that of the parish of England, itself the creature of the Conqueror, by virtue of his Norman sapience from the Saxon tithing and gemot and the Norsk thing. The very names and duties of the official are competent evidence. The settlers had no love for the parish as a system of church and state union. They were not tolerant. Neither they nor their oppressors knew the blessing of living together in unity. They were resolved to have none others than those of like opinions with themselves. But, beyond all, they were Englishmen, and, stern as they were in anti-prelacy and anti-papistry, they were resolved that the folkmeet should not deal with things spiritual, and the church should not meddle with things temporal. They did not essay this as an experiment, but entered directly upon its accomplishment in their town meetings. There was no preamble, no written constitution: but, far better, there was the resolute determination of free, independent wills. In that way only they proposed to live. The freedom of the town meeting often appeared in the meetings of the church, and the cant phrases "of the godly" in the records of the meetings for prudential affairs; for their constituencies were nearly identical. With the march of time, the two have grown wide apart; the one is the valued, cherished source and guardian of the liberties of all New England; the other is the proud possession of a sect, whose influence far outweighs its numbers.

Mr. Adams clearly sets forth the parallel between the commercial enterprises of the 17th and the 19th centuries. The "planters" are the stockholders; the executive head, the "Governor," is now the president; the "selectmen" are the directors; the "General Court" are the regular stated meetings; the "plantation" is, today, the railroad or other company whose charter is the source of the right to do business. The plantation meetings were held for the making of rates, as the tax list was then denominated, for the ordering of prudential and material affairs, for providing for the common defence and for the election of officers. As, with the growth of the settlements, these interests become paramount, the meetings become town meetings and go upon record. The plantation meetings, strictly so-called, were of a private nature, purely financial, and are not upon the town record. It is not improbable, thinks Dr. Channing, that some of these plantation records may yet be found in England.

All lovers of our local history will read these papers with large interest. The discussion is forcible, and by the ablest minds conversant with the subject. If they do not lead to exact and definite conclusions, it is because, in the present state of historical knowledge, the data for exactitude are not attainable. Whichever of the views, maintained by these gentlemen, may be accepted by the reader, none will gainsay the conclusion of Judge Chamberlain, that these towns "after a few years learned to manage their municipal affairs with such wisdom and success that, in the course of time, they so enlarged their views that, without overstepping the bounds the law had set up, they became a power which modified the action of the government, and, in the fulness of time, most effectual agencies in the dismemberment of the empire, and so famous throughout the civilized world."

It is greatly to be regretted that many of the authorities quoted exist only in manuscript, some in the hands even of private parties. As such they are liable to decay, depredation and destruction. If the towns themselves cannot see their duty in preservation, by printing, of these priceless records, it would seem a proper place for the exercise of the eminent domain of the Commonwealth, either by entrance itself upon the work, or injunction by statute upon the towns, parishes and counties with whom the records now are.

By George A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

History of the town of Oxford, Massachusetts, with genealogies and notes on persons and estates. By GEORGE F. DANIELS. Oxford: published by the Author with co-operation of the Town. 1892. 1 vol. 8vo. pp. 856. Price $4.00, or $4.30 when sent by mail.

Every native of this ancient town, unsurpassed by inland towns of Massachusetts for beauty of location, will welcome this volume with pride. The community was never incorporated as a town, but grew into form and endowment as an existent fact recognized by common consent. It took its place among the out-lying frontier towns of two centuries ago unquestioned. The proprietary interest of the beautiful, extensive plain, on whose well-watered, productive soil it was located, was granted by the general court and confirmed, as its owners claimed, "by the Kingdon of Great Britain." The remarkable settlement of the Huguenots here was the salient point in its early history. These gentle, polished refugees, lacking the grit and gristle of the English recusants, were unable to cope with the hostility of the wild Indian and abandoned their improvements. After the Indian war was closed and the new century advanced a dozen years, Englishmen, from other towns in the colony, resettled and occupied the spot. This was permanent. Their garrisons overawed the remnant of the savages. The ecclesiastical interests, as elsewhere, dominated the civil; and the meagre taxes were steadily fortified by encroachments upon non-residents and absentees, who held titles to some estates. In 1720, a "Gospel Church" was formed and, in 1721, Rev. John Campbell from the north of Scotland was ordained, and spent the remainder of his life among this people. He soon became the most influential citizen in political and social affairs. He was the minister, the physician, the judge and the peace-maker of the little community. Good reasons are given for the belief that he was a political refugee, and that from him rightfully proceeds the inheritance of the Scottish earldom of Loudon. In 1733 the earliest school was established. The population had reached the limit whereat the statute required the provision of a school-master; so the town voted liberally, and private contributions made up

the deficit. In 1788 district schools were established, in 1853 a grammar school, and in 1856 a high school. These several items, with ample exhibition of the military and business career of the inhabitants, Mr. Daniels has felicitously set forth in paragraphs with appropriate headings. A chapter on the "Older Homesteads" is unique and embodies most valuable information. It traces the several homesteads under the title of their earliest owner, through the conveyances, to the present holders; furnishing ready means for the determination of ancestral estates and the location of family residences.

We are very glad to find that one half the volume, and more than half the contents, is devoted to the genealogies of all whose names appear on the records of the town down to 1850. Each notice of the heads of families, and their prominent members, is accompanied with pertinent remarks, descriptive and characteristic of the individuals. This is a very graceful addition to the ordinary interest of genealogy. Many quaint, engaging and valuable documents, traditions, incidents and miscellaneous matters, unused in the general history, are grouped under appropriate headings in an appendix. Separate indices for the history proper, of names in the genealogy out of alphabetical order, and of the homesteads, are supplied at the close of the volume.

The editorial labors, which must have been very large, are well done, the book is well printed on good paper by Mr. Charles Hamilton, of Worcester, and deserves a place in every public library. Other towns in South Worcester, carved from the ancient limits of Oxford, should supplement this volume with like histories of themselves. The illustrations, consisting chiefly of views, landscapes and scenery in and about the town, are unusually beautiful. They are well executed by Mr. W. P. Allen, of Gardner.

By George A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

The Sabbath in Puritan New England. By ALICE MORSE EARLE. New York. Charles Scribner's Sons. 1891. University Press: John Wilson & Son, Cambridge. 12 mo. pp. 335.

It is impossible to do justice in the small space allotted me, to the many beauties and excellencies of the book before me. After carefully reading and re-reading it, the first thought that comes uppermost in my mind is, that no lover of history, no lover of good literature, can afford to be without so valuable a work, a work evidently the result of years of patient labor, of careful research, and of earnest love for all that was beautiful and noble in the lives of the early dwellers in New England, lives full of toil and suffering, yet upheld by a firm faith in the justice and mercy of God.

How touching is the following picture of a scene in public worship: "I have seen within a few years, in a country church, a feeble, white-haired old deacon rise tremblingly at the preacher's solemn words "Let us unite in prayer," and stand with bowed head throughout the long prayer; thus pathetically clinging to the reverent custom of the olden time, he rendered tender tribute to vanished youth, gave equal tribute to eternal hope and faith, and formed a beautiful emblem of patient readiness for the last solemn summons."

The book contains a wealth and variety of information bearing upon the colonial history of our dearly-loved New England, and cannot fail to be of the greatest interest to all who dwell in New England, or who have New-England blood in their veins. The writer is thoroughly in sympathy with her subject, and, though of Puritan descent, does not hesitate to criticise some features of the Puritan belief and of the customs and habits of the people. She does not, however, fail to render due justice and praise to their simple, manly, God-fearing lives. Gladly would I quote, if space permitted, her graphic account of the pathetic yet noble confession of Judge Sewall—that splendid type of the Puritan character—of his terrible mistake in condemning to death the poor victims of the witchcraft delusion. The writer is the fortunate possessor of a remarkably clear and charming style, and her book abounds in many witty passages and turns of thought. It will be of special interest to those of an antiquarian turn of mind, as the author has drawn from many and varied sources of information, not easily accessible to the general reader.

I cannot better close this imperfect notice than by quoting the following passage from the last chapter of the book: "What those brave, stern men and women were, as well as what they looked, is known to us all, and cannot be dwelt upon here, any more than can here be shown and explained the details of

their religious faith and creed. Patient, frugal, God-fearing and industrious, cruel and intolerant sometimes, but never cowardly, sternly obeying the word of God in the spirit and the letter, but erring sometimes in the interpretation thereof,—surely they had no traits to shame us, to keep us from thrilling with pride at the drop of their blood which runs in our backsliding veins. Nothing can more plainly show their distinguishing characteristics, nothing is so fully typical of the motive, the spirit of their lives, as their reverent observance of the Lord's day."

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston, Mass.

The Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636-1850. By JAMES N. ARNOLD. Vols. II. and III. Providence County. Pages XXXIX., 397; XXXV., 443. Providence, R. I.: Published by the Narragansett Historical Publishing Company. Price $5.00 each in cloth.

These valuable volumes are now ready for delivery. Volume II. contains the City of Providence and the Towns of Cranston, Johnston and North Providence; Vol. III. the Towns of Gloucester, Burrillville, Scituate, Foster, Cumberland and Smithfield.

Providence is the largest and most populous County in the State, having more than two-thirds of its inhabitants. This work, therefore, embracing as it does every birth, marriage and death, as recorded in the records of the various Towns, from 1636 to 1850, must prove a valuable assistant as a work of reference unto every student who shall have occasion to consult its pages. Every marriage is given at length under the groom, with book and page of the original record. This, as far as possible, is continued in the births and deaths. Every item of value in the original record is here presented in each instance. Every Town has its separate pagination as well as its indexes, which are arranged so as to show: i. The names of the families given in the body of the work. ii. The names occurring promiscuously. iii. The names of places mentioned in the text.

These indexes, if first consulted, will at once give the name or place sought for, and save therefore much valuable time to the reader, whose time for research is limited. The marriages are arranged in a very natural manner, giving first the earliest one of the name in the record and followed by each one of that name chronologically to 1850. The births are given in groups showing the members of the family in natural order, and followed by other families of that name, in similar order, down to 1850. The deaths are given strictly chronologically.

In brief, the plan of the compiler is to reflect, as near as possible, the order of the original record, at the same time to give a presentation of the matter treated so that it will be at once understood by the reader.

Those who have examined the first volume of this work (Kent County) have expressed themselves very decidedly in its favor, particularly in its natural arrangement; many of them have pronounced it a model for future works of like character.

The two volumes make a total of 914 pages, imperial quarto size, and contain more than 62,000 separate items. It is printed at the lowest price possible consistent with successful publication.

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History of Bethel, formerly Sudbury Canada, Oxford County, Maine, 1768-1890. With a Brief Sketch of Hanover and Family Statistics. Compiled by WILLIAM B. LATHAM. Augusta, Me.: Press of Maine Farmer. 1891. 8vo. pp. XV.+ 688.

The town of Bethel in Maine was originally the plantation of Sudbury Canada. It was granted to the descendants of soldiers who went from Sudbury, Mass., and the adjacent towns, on the Expedition to Canada in 1690. A petition for such a grant was presented to the Massachusetts General Court in 1737 and another in 1768. In June of the latter year a township in the District of Maine was granted to the petitioners, situated on both sides of the Amariscoggin river. Several years after a settlement was begun there, and gradually it grew to be a flourishing plantation. In June, 1796, it was incorporated as a town by the name of Bethel, a name said to have been suggested by the Rev. Eliphaz Chapman.

Dr. Lapham, the author of the work before us, has had much experience in compiling works upon local and family history. As was to be expected he has here presented to the natives and citizens of Bethel a faithful and exhaustive history of that town—a town in which he, himself, spent the earliest years of

his life, and even then interested himself in gathering from all accessible sources the facts and romance in its annals.

The book is handsomely printed, profusely illustrated and well indexed. Two hundred pages or nearly one-third of the work is devoted to genealogy, so much sought for in these days.

An Official Tour along the Eastern Coast of the Regency of Tunis, Geography and History of the Country, and Manners and Customs of the People. By AMOS PERRY, LL.D. Providence, R. I.: Standard Printing Company. 1891. 8vo. pp. iv.+110. Price $1.00. Address, Amos Perry, Providence, R. I.

Dr. Amos Perry, the secretary and librarian of the Rhode Island Historical Society, held from 1862 to 1867 the office of United States consul at Tunis. In 1869, he published an elaborate work entitled "Carthage and Tunis, Past and Present," an octavo of five hundred pages. The pamphlet before us is enlarged from a sketch designed by the author to illustrate a part of his book on Carthage, and was intended to be inserted in the appendix to that work, but was crowded out by other matter. This "revised and enlarged sketch has a broader scope. It is virtually a *supplement* to the larger work. It furnishes statistics and material facts that show changes that have taken place during the last quarter of a century, together with the present condition and future prospects of the country."

We have here a narrative of the author's official visits to places of historic interest in that country, with notices of prominent persons whom he met, portraits of some of whom are given. The work is written in an agreeable style. At this time, when so much interest is manifested in the continent of Africa, this pamphlet will be read with interest, and its 20 engraved illustrations, including a map of the country, will prove decidedly attractive.

American Commonwealths. Vermont, a Study of Independence. By ROWLAND E. ROBINSON. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin & Company. The Riverside Press, Cambridge. 1892. 18mo. pp. vi.+370. Price $1.25.

Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co. are publishing several popular series of biographical and historical volumes,—the titles of which are: American Men of Letters, American Statesmen, American Religious Leaders and American Commonwealths. The last named series is edited by Horace E. Scudder, and is devoted to histories of the several states of the union. Thirteen volumes of this series have been issued, the last of which is that before us on the state of Vermont, by Rowland E. Robinson.

Early in the seventeenth century, in 1609, Champlain saw the western shores of Vermont, and twenty years later Sir Ferdinando Gorges and Capt. John Mason planned a settlement, and hoped for profitable trade in peltry, on its territory, but their wild hopes were doomed to disappointment, for their scouts never reached the grant. Mr. Robinson has made a useful and interesting book. He calls it "A Study of Independence," and certainly his book shows that the people of Vermont have exhibited that quality in a marked degree. The reader of this volume will be well repaid for its study.

A History of the Town of Haddam and East Haddam. By DAVID D. FIELD, A.M. Middletown: Printed by Loomis & Richards. 1814. 200 copies reprinted for Charles L. Woodward, New York. 1892. Sm. 8vo. pp. 48+1.

This book was originally printed over three quarters of a century ago, and has for many years been one of the rarest of rare American local histories. We think it is the earliest of the Rev. Dr. Field's contributions to historical literature, and it shows the same care and industry which he exhibited in his later books. Mr. Woodward has done a service to collectors of Americana by giving them an exact reprint of the work.

Vital Statistics of Seymour, Conn. Vol. II. To Dec. 31, 1891. Compiled by W. C. SHARPE, Record Print, Seymour, Conn. 1892. 8vo. pp. 59. Sold at the *Record* office. Price $1: by mail, $1.06.

The first volume of this book was published in 1881, and was noticed by us in April, 1883. It is said to have been the first instance in which the vital statistics of a Connecticut town were printed, with the exception of the Woodbury records, published by the Hon. William Cothren in 1879.

This volume contains the records of births, marriages and deaths from 1883 to to the close of 1891.

We have frequently spoken of the importance of printing town records, and by this means preserving them from destruction, and making them available to a wider circle of genealogical students. We are glad to see the growing interest in this subject. We commend the present work to our readers.

A Manuscript containing Lancashire Church Notes and Tricking of Arms made in the Years 1564 to 1598. Rendered in blazon by J. PAUL RYLANDS, F.S.A. For Private Circulation. Liverpool: T. Brackett Limited. 1892. 8vo. pp. 22.

The manuscript which is the basis of this pamphlet belongs to a personal friend of Mr. Rylands. It is "apparently a Herald's note-book of the time of Queen Elizabeth." Two Lancashire Rolls of Arms of the times of Edward III. and Henry VIII. were printed by Mr. Rylands in the Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire for the year 1885. New Series, vol. i., pp. 148–60. The remainder of the manuscript, which consists of twelve leaves, are given in this pamphlet with the exception of some confused and mutilated pedigrees which occupy the first four leaves.

Mr. Rylands has done a good service for genealogists, particularly those interested in Lancashire families, in transcribing and editing these notes. They will "materially assist those engaged upon the history of the churches and families" to which they refer. The pamphlet is a reprint from the Transactions of the above-named society.

Biographical Notes of Doctor Matthew Sutcliffe, Dean of Exeter, 1588–1629. By FRANCES B. TROUP. 8vo. pp. 28.

This is a paper read at Tiverton, July, 1891, before the Devonshire Association for the Advancement of Science, Literature and Art, and has been reprinted from the Transactions of that Association, vol. 23, pp. 171–196.

The author of this pamphlet is an American lady of historical tastes, who has resided several years near Exeter in Devonshire, England, and who is a contributor to the REGISTER. Her interest in Dr. Sutcliffe, who was Dean of the cathedral church of Exeter, arose, we presume, from the fact that he was early interested in the settlement of New England. She has given us much new matter concerning the doctor in the very interesting paper here printed. The will of Dean Sutcliffe and a list of his works, the latter filling nearly five pages, are appended. We hope that Mrs. Troup will find time to prepare more such papers.

The Library and Cabinet of the Rhode-Island Historical Society. Their Origin and Leading Features, together with a classified summary of their Contents. By AMOS PERRY, Librarian and Cabinet Keeper. Providence: Printed for the Society by Snow & Farnham. 1891. 8vo. pp. 24.

This is a carefully compiled and useful pamphlet. The Society has a rich collection of historical manuscripts and a valuable library of printed books.

Southern Historical Society's Papers. Vol. XVIII. Edited by R. A. BROCK, Secretary of the Southern Historical Society. Richmond, Va.: Published by the Society. 1890. 8vo. pp. 439.

Southern Historical Society's Papers. Vol. XIX. Edited by R. A. BROCK. Richmond, Va.: Published by the Society. 1891. 8vo. pp. 420. Sent free to members. Other subscribers $3 per annum.

The object of publishing these papers is well stated in the prospectus of the secretary of the Society and editor of these volumes, to be "to collect and preserve for the future historian material for a true history of the causes, progress and results of the great war for Southern Independence, while at the same time regard will be paid to the *general* history of the Southern States."

Extended notices of previous volumes have been given by us. From them our readers have learned the character of the contents of this useful series. We need only add that the two volumes before us are equally valuable with their predecessors; and repeat what has before been said in these pages: "No library, public or private, which pretends to historic fulness, can afford to be without these volumes."

The annual assessment of members of this Society is $3. Life membership is fifty dollars.

Genealogical Gleanings in England. By HENRY F. WATERS, A.M. Extracts from the Marriage Licenses granted by the Bishop of London, 1598 to 1639. Salem, Mass.: Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1892. 8vo. pp. 107.

This is a valuable contribution to genealogical literature. A collection of extracts from the register of the Marriage Licenses issued by the Bishop of London, made by Col. Chester, was published by the Harleian Society in 1887. Those extracts begun in 1520 and ended in 1828. Mr. Waters has confined his extracts to a briefer period—one during which items relating to the settlers of New England would be most likely to be found, and has made a special effort to collect New England names. "Of the four hundred and ninety-nine extracts of marriage licenses," says Mr. Waters in his preface, "two hundred and six are to be found in Col. Chester's collection, and two hundred and ninety-three do not appear there. * * * Of the two hundred and six which Col. Chester has, forty-seven are virtually the same as his (with occasional diverse reading); but the large number of one hundred and fifty-nine contain additional information, some of it of great genealogical value, as any one may see who will take the trouble to compare them. In case of diverse readings of the same facts, which will occasionally be noticed, I can only refer the reader to the original record to establish the proper reading. I have no doubt that in some cases Colonel Chester's reading will be found the correct one and in some cases mine. I have yet to see the transcriber who is always right.

"Of the two hundred and ninety-three entries not found in Colonel Chester's collection, only eighteen appear previous to 1627, while two hundred and seventy-five occur in the years 1627–1639; and, of the two hundred and six entries which are also in Chester, one hundred and eighty occur before 1627, but only twenty-six afterwards. This may be accounted for by the fact that he seems to have made a very thorough examination of the Vicar General's Books, which, he says, contain no marriage licenses between March 22, 1626–7, and the period at which I stopped my examination of the Bishop's Registry. The conclusion to which I am forced is that Colonel Chester made but a very hurried and incomplete examination of the Bishop's Registry and must, in fact, have omitted not simply hundreds but even thousands of items. It seems to me, therefore, quite worth the while for all whose lines of ancestry run back into the Diocese of London to make a careful examination of the Bishop's Registry from and after 1627."

Much new light is thrown on New England family history by the extracts here printed, and many difficulties have been cleared up by them. The pamphlet is a reprint from the Historical Collections of the Essex Institute for 1891.

The Somerville Journal Souvenir of the Semi Centennial, 1842–1892. Published and Printed by the Somerville Journal Co., March 3, 1892. Folio, pp. x.+44. Price 25 cents.

This souvenir of the semi-centenary celebration of the incorporation of Somerville preserves much of the local history of that city. The town was incorporated March 3, 1842, and the celebration was held on the 17th of June last, the anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill. A striking feature of this souvenir is the numerous portraits of prominent citizens of Somerville, which are accompanied by sketches of the lives of the several individuals. There are also many views of buildings with accounts of them, and other embellishments. The engravings are in the half-tone process and are all excellent, particularly the portraits. Articles on the early, the revolutionary and the later history of Somerville are also found here.

Putnam's Monthly Historical Magazine. Published by Eben Putnam, Salem Press, U. S. A. May, 1892. Royal 8vo. pp. 40. Price 25 cents, or $2 a year.

This magazine is a continuation of the *Salem Press Historical and Genealogical Record*, noticed in previous issues. Eight quarterly numbers, making two annual volumes of the *Record*, have appeared. The magazine is now changed from a quarterly to a monthly, and it is brought out with a new title. The number before us begins with an excellent sketch of Gen. Israel Putnam by the Rev. Alfred P. Putnam, D.D., which is followed by Mr. Treat's Genealogical Gleanings in England; Georgetown, Maine, Records; Mary Endicott's Diary; Revolutionary Soldiers; and Notes. We wish the work abundant success in its new departure.

Journal of a Journey over the Mountains, by George Washington, while Surveying for Lord Thomas Fairfax, Baron of Cameron, in the Northern Neck of Virginia, beyond the Blue Ridge, in 1747–8. Copied from the Original with Literal Exactness, and edited with Notes, by J. M. TONER, M.D. Albany, N. Y.: Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers, 1892. Fcp. 4to. pp. 144.

Dr. Toner has long been engaged in collecting accurate copies of all of the writings of Washington which he could obtain. Wherever he found it practicable to "examine and critically compare even his generally accepted writings with the originals, it has been and will be done, to secure a copy of exact and verified conformity, in every particular, with the text as it left the hand of the writer."

The book before us is the first of a series of Washington's writings printed with literal exactness which Dr. Toner has undertaken to prepare for the press and to issue. This will be a valuable series of volumes. The present work is the earliest literary effort of Washington, if we except his version of the "Rules of Civility and Decent Behaviour in Company and Conversation." The journal was begun when the writer was but one month over sixteen years of age. It is here printed entire and verbatim, with many useful notes by the editor. The book is illustrated by ten facsimiles of Washington's plans and other drawings. It will be sought by those who wish to own Washington's writings exactly as they were written by him.

Tributes to Shakespeare. Collected and Arranged by MARY R. SILSBY. New York: Harper & Brothers, Printers and Publishers. 1892. 18mo. pp. xvi.+246. Price $1.25.

This collection of poetical tributes to him who "was not of an age, but for all time," was happily conceived and has been as happily executed. The selections range in time from the year 1595 to the present day. The tributes written during Shakespeare's life or by those who were his contemporaries are more numerous than is generally believed, and are truly appreciative. Mrs. Silsby is to be congratulated on the number and variety of the poems she has collected in this volume. They show a wide range of thought. The poetic admirers of the bard of Avon embrace much of the highest genius and talent.

Lane Genealogies, Volume I. William Lane of Boston, Mass., 1648, including the Records of Edmund J. Lane and James P. Lane. Capt. John Lane of York County, Maine, 1693. Capt. John Lanè of Fisherfield, N. H., 1737. By Rev. JACOB CHAPMAN and Rev. JAMES H. FITTS. Exeter, N. H.: Printed by John Templeton. 1891. 8vo. pp. 296. Price $3. Sold by Rev. Jacob Chapman, Exeter, N. H.

Genealogy of the Family of George Weekes of Dorchester, Mass. Part II. Comprising Ancient History of this and other British Families, with Additional History of American Families. By ROBERT D. WEEKES. 1892. Newark, N. J.: Press of L. J. Hardham. Royal 8vo. pp. viii.+174.

History and Genealogy of the Hoagland Family in America from their First Settlement in New Amsterdam, 1638 to 1891. From Data furnished mainly by DANIEL HOAGLAND CARPENTER. Published by Dr. Cornelius N. Hoagland. 8vo. pp. 276.

The American Genealogical Record, giving the Genealogy and History of Some American Families tracing their Ancestry to Ante-Revolutionary Times. Vol. I. *The Stephens Family with Collateral Branches.* By EDWARD STEPHENS CLARK, M.D. San Francisco: Jos. Winterburn Company, Printers. 1892. 8vo. pp. viii.+185. To be obtained of E. S. Clark, M.D., 16 Geary Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Genealogical History of the Allen Family and of some of their Connections. By Mrs. FRANCES M. STODDARD. Boston: Privately Printed. 1891. 8vo. pp. 135.

Notes Historiques sur L'Origine de la Famille Gill de Saint-François du Lac et Saint-Thomas de Pierreville et Histoire de ma Propre Famille. Par CHARLES GILL, Juge de la Cour Superieure. Montreal: Eusèbe Senécal & Fils, Imprimeurs-Editeurs. 1887. Sq. 16mo. pp. 96.

Notes Additionnelles a L'Histoire de la Famille Gill. Par CHARLES GILL, Juge de la Cour Superieure. Montreal: Eusèbe Senécal, Imprimeure-Editeurs. 1889. Sq. 16mo. pp. 30.

Family Records of Joseph Alexander de Chabrier de Peloubet, the First of the Name in the United States, with the Funeral Address of his Eldest Son, L. F. M. Chabrier Peloubet, who died Nov. 28, 1885. 1892. Printed for the Family. Sm. 4to. pp. 37.

Pedigree of King of Salem, Essex County, Mass., 1595–1887. Five Lines of Descent traced by RUFUS KING of Yonkers, New York. Broadside 22 in. by 26 in. One hundred copies printed.

Genealogical Gleanings relating to the Kelleys of Brentwood, N. H., and kindred families of Edgerly, Shute, Robinson, Hancock and Cleveland. By WILLIAM HENRY KELLEY, corresponding member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, Saint Paul, Minn. 1892. 8vo. pp. 42.

Genealogy of the Booth Family in England and the United States; being a Compilation of the Pedigrees of the English Line, and of the Descendants of Richard Booth of Connecticut, U. S. A., down to the family of the Compiler. By WALTER S. BOOTH, Minneapolis, Minn. 1892. 12mo. pp. 25.

A Meeting of the Descendants of Ebenezer and Mary (Howard) Taft, at the Chestnut Hill Meeting-House in Blackstone, Mass., Tuesday, August 11, 1891, with the Address of Rev. Carlton A. Staples, and other Proceedings of that Occasion. 8vo. pp. 28. George H. Ellis, Printer, Boston, Mass.

A History of the Putnam Family in England and America. By EBEN PUTNAM. Part II. Salem: May, 1892. 8vo. 64 pages. Edition 300 copies. Issued only to subscribers. Price $6 in advance for the whole work.

Origin and Genealogy of the Hildreth Family of Lowell, Mass. Compiled by Captain PHILIP READE, United States Army. 1892. 8vo. pp. 71. Printed at Lowell, Mass.

The Starkeys of New England and the Descendants of George Lawrence. By Miss EMILY WILDER LEAVITT. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1892. 8vo. pp. 10.

The Historical Journal of the More Family. DAVID F. MORE, Editor. Vol. I. No. I. Newark, N. J. 1892. Royal 8vo. pp. 12.

Additional Notes on the Family of Winckley. No. II. 8vo. pp. 3. No. III. 8vo. pp. 14.

The Olin Sourenir. Copyright secured by C. C. Olin of Indianapolis, Ind. Price 15 cents.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of recent publications relating to genealogy.

The Lane Genealogy, the first book on our list, is prepared in a thorough manner. The volume is the result of the labors of various individuals running through a century and a quarter. About 1765, Dea. Jeremiah Lane of Hampton Falls, N. H., prepared a genealogical chart of his branch of the family. His brother, Dea. Samuel Lane, of Stratham, N. H., also preserved much genealogical information in his diary. A grandson of the latter, Dea. Edmund J. Lane of Dover, N. H., continued the work of his grandfather and great-uncle, and a small portion of his collections were printed in the REGISTER, vol. 37, pp. 176–81. The work was continued by Rev. James P. Lane, who contributed an article to the REGISTER, vol. 42, pp. 141–52. Both of these gentlemen are dead, and their genealogical collections have been placed in the hands of Rev. Messrs. Chapman and Fitts, experienced investigators of family history, who have bestowed great labor upon the work in completing the genealogy and preparing it for the press. We understand that the chief work on this first volume is by Rev. Jacob Chapman, author of genealogies of the Folsom, the Philbrick, the Weeks and the Chapman families, which have been noticed by us in former years. The present work will add to his reputation. It is carefully compiled, handsomely printed and thoroughly indexed.

The book on the Weekes family is by Mr. Robert D. Weekes of East Orange, N. J., who, in 1885, published a book of nearly five hundred pages on the descendants of George Weekes, which book was noticed by us in our number for January, 1886. This second part of his book contains matters collected in the six years and over since it was published. The author spent several weeks in England in the summer of 1890, and visited the ancient homes of his family in

Devonshire, and some of the illustrations in this book are reproductions of photographic views obtained there. The book is well compiled and makes a handsome volume.

The book on the Hoagland family is divided into four books, the first of which is devoted to the Origin of the Name and the Early Settlement in America; the second to the genealogy of Coernelis Diercksen Hoochlandt; the third to the genealogy of Christoffel Hoaglandt; and the fourth to the genealogy of Dierck Jansen Hoagland. The family came from Holland, and, though the author does not claim to have cleared the origin of the name of all obscurity, he thinks there is good reason for deriving it from the Dutch word for highland. The name is found in this country as early as 1638. The book shows great research. It is handsomely printed, is embellished with portraits, family groups, and other fine illustrations. It is well indexed.

The book on the Stephens Family makes a fine volume, and appears to be the result of careful research. The family here given is traced to Peter Stephens, born probably between the years 1690 and 1700, who, with others,—sixteen families in all,—in the year 1732, removed from Pennsylvania and settled in Virginia. The book is well printed and is illustrated with twenty-four portraits.

Mrs. Stoddard, the author of the volume on the Allen family, is the editor of the "Account of the Sufferings and Losses of Jolley Allen, a native of London," noticed by us October, 1883. The book is devoted to the descendants of Capt. Nathaniel Allen, father of Jolley Allen. Capt. Allen was a native of London, born in 1699, who commanded a packet ship which sailed between London, England, and Boston, New England. Mrs. Stoddard has made a very interesting, useful and reliable book. It is handsomely printed, and illustrated with many fine portraits and views. Mrs. Stoddard has been engaged many years in collecting the materials preserved in this volume.

The two works on the Gill family by Judge Gill of Montreal, Canada, are devoted to the descendants of Samuel Gill, a native of New England, who was taken captive when a boy and carried to Canada near the beginning of the eighteenth century, where he settled and left a numerous posterity. The author gives an account of the efforts made by his descendants to ascertain the New England ancestry which resulted after the publication of his first book in the discovery that he was a grandson of John Gill, an early settler of Salisbury, Mass. The reader of the REGISTER will find an account of this persevering and successful search in an article by Prof. Butler of Madison, Wis., in this number of the REGISTER, pp. 212–15. Judge Gill has made an interesting work.

The book on the Peloubet family contains a record of the Peloubet family in France, descended from Jammes de Chabrier of Lauzun in the early part of the sixteenth century, whose grandson Gabriel was the founder of the branch de Poulabet. The line is traced to Joseph Alexander de Chabrier de Poulabet, born near Lauzun, March 10, 1764, who came to this country in 1803, and finally settled in New Jersey, where he died October, 1844, aged 80. The book also contains a record of the descendants of the emigrant and a funeral sermon on his son, Mr. Chabrier Peloubet, by Rev. Henry W. Ballantine, delivered in Bloomfield, N. J., Dec. 1, 1885. The book is well compiled and well printed.

The next work is a tabular pedigree of William King of Salem, Mass. The compiler is Mr. Rufus King of Yonkers, N. Y., who has had much experience in genealogical research, especially relating to the Kings. It makes a useful and handsome table. Mr. King contributed to Dr. Howard's *Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica* for June, 1881, some extracts from the parish registers of Edwardstone, Suffolk, relating to the family of King, furnished him by the vicar, the Rev. George H. de Studdert. Mr. King presented to the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, in 1889, the Rev. Mr. Studdert's manuscript bound with the printed leaves.

Mr. Kelley, the author of the next work, formerly resided in Boston, Mass., and was one of the early members of this Society. The Kelleys in this pamphlet are descended from Thomas Kelley, who came here with the British troops during the French war of 1755–62. He settled at Brentwood, N. H. Other genealogical matter is found here. The pamphlet is embellished with a group consisting of portraits of the author, his daughter and his grandson.

The next work is devoted to the genealogy of the Booth family in England and New England. It is well prepared and handsomely printed.

The account of the meeting in 1891 at Blackstone, Mass., of the descendants of Ebenezer Taft, with Mr. Staples's address on the occasion, preserves a record of an interesting occasion.

We are glad to welcome the second part of the Putnam genealogy, the first part of which was noticed by us in January last. It brings the family down to the fifth generation. This part includes Gen. Israel Putnam, of whom a good memoir is given, illustrated with a portrait and a view of his birthplace.

The pamphlet on the Hildreth family is a reprint of the newspaper articles noticed by us in this number (*ante*, pp. 275–6). Capt. Reade has done a good service by preserving in print this account of the origin and genealogy of the Hildreth Family of Lowell. It is embellished with a view of the Hildreth homestead at Dracut, besides fac-similes of documents and views of ancient gravestones.

The Starkeys in New England is a reprint from the last number of the REGISTER.

The Historical Journal of the More family is the organ of the Association of the Descendants of John and Betty (Taylor) More, and is designed to collect and preserve materials for writing the genealogy of that family.

The two parts of the Notes on the Family of Winckley are from papers in the possession of Mr. Richard Veevers, are privately printed for William Winckley, F.S.A., of Flambards, Harrow on the Hill, Middlesex, England. No. 2 was issued in October, 1891, and No. 3 in February, 1892. They preserve valuable matter.

Mr. Olin, who sends out the Olin Souvenir, is engaged in preparing a genealogy of that family; and this pamphlet is intended to aid him in his work by awakening an interest in it among his kindred.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

REGISTER OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON, ENGLAND.—The Register of this parish, edited by the Rev. A. W. Cornelius Hallen, of Alloa, Scotland, are now in the course of publication in parts. The printed work will include baptisms, marriages and deaths from 1558 to 1753, and will make when completed three royal octavo volumes, the subscription price for the three volumes being £4. 0. 0. Subscriptions should be sent to Mr. T. W. Hills, Rectory House, Devonshire Square, Bishopgate, London, E. Two volumes have already been issued and a part of vol. 3. Part 19 will be issued before this announcement is

seen by our readers, and No. 20 will follow shortly. The Rev. Mr. Hallen, the editor, has issued the following circular:

"I take this opportunity of laying before you the position in which the Rev. Wm. Rogers, the Rector of St. Botolph, finds himself. He made himself responsible for the printing of the Transcripts of the Registers, believing that many of the parishioners would wish to possess such interesting Records, and that men of letters would show their appreciation of the great value of the work by purchasing it. In both these expectations he has been somewhat disappointed; very few copies have been contributed for in the parish, and the general public have not heartily supported a scheme which would have gradually provided a complete set of Transcripts of the Registers of such London Parishes as have not already been printed.

"I, as Editor and Transcriber, venture to make an URGENT appeal to you to place the matter before your friends, with a view to obtaining additional subscribers. THE ADDITION OF ONE HUNDRED NAMES TO THE LIST WOULD SECURE THE RECTOR AGAINST LOSS. I would most earnestly urge every one who receives this letter to do his best.

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"I trust that this appeal will be responded to without delay, and that I shall be able to issue, with the next Number of the Register, a satisfactory supplemental list of Subscribers."

INHABITANTS OF ESSEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, from 1626 TO 1800.—Mr. Sidney Perley, of Salem, Mass., has issued a circular from which we learn that he has been searching the records of Essex County, Mass., for the past seventeen years, and has made large collections of genealogical information, has begun the arrangement of the genealogy of every person who lived in the County before the year 1800,—a work he proposes to continue as long as time and means allow.

The records of the County include admissions to and dismissions from the churches, baptisms, births, marriages, deaths, intentions of marriages, gravestone inscriptions, old newspaper news items, advertisements and obituary notices, parish records and tax lists, town meeting records and tax lists, probate records and original wills and other papers on file, registry of deeds, court records, civil and criminal, proprietors' records, colonial, provincial and state records, and private papers. Seven-eighths of these records are not indexed at all, and none of them have full indexes of names. Genealogists will see at a glance what a vast amount of hidden genealogical material will thus be brought into ready use.

All persons having questions that have heretofore failed of solution are advised to send them to Mr. Perley. Information on hand will be sent and researches made on reasonable terms. Copies of wills, deeds and other papers will also be made.

CAPT. READE ON THE ORIGIN AND GENEALOGY OF THE HILDRETH FAMILY OF LOWELL, MASS.—Capt. Philip Reade, U.S.A., has sent us a file of the articles printed during April and May, last past, in the Lowell (Mass.) Courier, under the above title, which, we understand, are to be reprinted in a pamphlet, as they well deserve to be. In the preparation of this genealogy of his maternal ancestry, Capt. Reade has diligently searched the town records and exhausted the ready memory of aged relatives. The Hildreths, though not a pioneer family in the "wildernesse on the Northerne side of merimack riuer," were early settlers after the incorporation of Dracut. From thence, down to the generation which saw the merging of large portions of the town into the city of Lowell, they continually held important town offices and exerted an influence in that community second to none. We commend this effort of Capt. Reade as a valuable contribution to the history of North Middlesex.

WASHINGTON'S YOUTH: AN AUTHENTIC STATEMENT OF FACTS CONCERNING HIS EARLY CAREER.—Under this title J. M. Toner, M. D., of Washington, published two very interesting articles in the Washington *Evening Star*, Feb. 20 and Feb. 22, 1892. The title of the first article is "His Schoolboy Days," and that of the second is "Honors Early Gained." Much new matter relative to an interesting period of Washington's life is here preserved by one who has done much to illustrate the biography and writings of the "Father of his Country."

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Chute.—The Chute Genealogies by William E. Chute of Swampscott, Mass. (a lineal descendant in the eighth generation from Lionel Chute the Ipswich schoolmaster) will soon be issued by Eben Putnam of the Salem Press. It will make a volume of about 400 pages. Price $4. There will be 276 families of the Chutes, besides which the author will give about forty collateral branches bearing the following names: Adams, Banks, Cheney, Chipman, Cogswell, Farnsworth, Foster, Gates, Hale, Harris, Hains, Hankinson, Marshall, Morse, Noyes, Parker, Potter, Randall, Rice, Ruggles, Sanford, Steadman, Taylor, Thurston, Van Buskirk, Weare, Whitman, Woodworth and Worster. Besides the American families there will be valuable English records.

Address, W. E. Chute, Swampscott.

Cutts.—The Cutts Genealogy by Cecil H. C. Howard, 256 Tompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., announced in the REGISTER for January, 1887, page 102, we understand is now in the printer's hands.

Dodge.—A Genealogy of the Dodge Family of Essex County, Mass., is being prepared by Mr. Joseph T. Dodge of Madison, Wis. An introductory article on the subject will appear is the October number of the REGISTER. Circulars soliciting information are being issued.

Grosvenor.—S. L. Crissy, 1426 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D. C., is compiling the History and Genealogical Record of the Grosvenor Family and has it in an advanced stage toward completion. He has already nearly two thousand names. There are probably many of the family, daughters married, whom he has not reached by correspondence, who are scattered all over the country. They are requested to send their records to Mr. Crissy. The family started from Roxbury, Mass., and settled in Pomfret, Ct., about 1700. One son of the original John, William by name, was a graduate of Harvard, settled in the ministry, went to South Carolina where he died. There is a rumor that he married and had two daughters.

Markham.—E. A. Markham, A.M., M.D., P. O. Box 95, Durham, Connecticut, is preparing a genealogy of this family. The most of the name in this country are descendants of Deacon Daniel Markham (also spelled Marcum and Marcam), who came from England about 1665. Dr. Markham has also records of William of Middletown, 1650, complete; Nathaniel of Watertown, 1673; Jeremiah of Dover, 1659; Gov. William of Pennsylvania, 1681; John of New York and Virginia, 1720; and Mr. Markham of Virginia, 1635.

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The Story of the Discovery of the New World by Columbus. Compiled from Accepted Authorities. By FREDERICK SAUNDERS, Librarian of the Astor library, author of "Salad for the Solitary and the Social," etc. 1492–1892. New York: Thomas Whittaker. 1892. 12mo. pp. 145. Price $1.

In these days of many and prolix authors it is refreshing to take up a book like that before us. It contains a concise and well-written outline of the life and work of Columbus, and is a valuable introduction to the larger works relating to him. People in this busy, hurrying age, need just such books as this; books free from verbiage and repetition and yet full enough to give an accurate account of the life and personality of the subject. Mr. Saunders has evidently made a careful study of the literature regarding Columbus and has the happy faculty of expressing his thoughts clearly and forcibly. He has drawn to some extent upon the works of other biographers of Columbus; namely, Irving, Las Casas, Major, Rosselly de Lorgues, Harrisse, Tarducci and others. When we consider that it has been estimated that about six hundred authors have written upon Columbus and that there is a much larger literature relating indirectly to him, we are in the way to realize the magnitude of the Columbian literature, and the wonderful effect wrought upon history by his discovery of the New World. We cannot help feeling that we are here dealing with the character of an extraordinary man. Like all great men he made enemies as well as friends, and while some of his biographers can see but little good in his character there are others who render him unstinted praise. Probably the truth lies between these two extremes. Faults he probably had, as what man of an impulsive, energetic nature has not? But when we consider the circumstances by which he was surrounded, the obstacles he overcame, we shall, I think, be ready to praise him for the many sterling qualities he undoubtedly possessed. Surely it was necessary that he should repress mutiny on board of his ships, it was necessary that he should put down insurrection in the colony which he had founded. One of the leading traits in his character—after his reverence for religion—was persistence. He believed—although his belief was contrary to that of the learned men of his time—that he could make a shorter voyage to the Indies by

sailing across the Atlantic. It should be borne in mind that he never expected to discover a new continent, and he died in ignorance of the fact that he had done so. But what if he builded better than he knew? That does not lessen the great merit of his undertaking. He sought a great good; he became (under God) the means of upbuilding a new world. And to accomplish this purpose he bent the whole energies of his life. He was a man cast in no ordinary mould; he was one of the leaders of men. As Alexander Von Humboldt has well said, "His existence marks one of the great epochs in the history of the world." His spirit was as dauntless as unconquerable, as his faith was firm and unchangeable. Who can read his life-story without admiring the perseverance, the unwearied determination of the man, in spite of almost insurmountable obstacles? How pathetic it is to see him wandering from town to town, from country to country, seeking aid to enable him to fit out an expedition for discovery. It is pitiable to read of his being compelled to almost literally beg his bread from door to door. So reduced was he at one time that he and his little boy were actually preserved from starvation by Juan Perez, the good prior of La Rabida, at his religious house. And it was the same monk who celebrated the holiest office of religion, at which Columbus was present, to seek the Divine blessing before he set sail from Palos. As the author has well said, "There seem to have been two supremely happy moments in his life—the first when he saw land after his adventurous voyage; the second, the recognition of his achievement. Between these two, however, all the happiness of his life was condensed." Hear this sad description of his condition as given by himself in one of his letters to Ferdinand and Isabella:

"Such is my fate that twenty years of service, through which I passed with so much toil and danger, have profited me nothing; and at this day I do not possess a roof in Spain that I can call my own. If I wish to eat or sleep, I have nowhere to go but to the inn or tavern, and I seldom have wherewith to pay the bill. I have not a hair upon me that is not gray; my body is infirm; and all that was left me, as well as to my brothers, has been taken away and sold, even to the frock that I wore, to my great dishonor. I implore your highnesses to forgive my complaints. I am, indeed, in as ruined a condition as I have related. Hitherto I have wept over others; may Heaven now have mercy upon me, and may the earth weep for me." A sad commentary on the ingratitude of man. Fortunately for his fame, history in the long run rarely fails to do justice to the great heroes of the world.

By the Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

The History of Boxley Parish: the Abbey, Rood of Grace, and Abbots; the Clergy; the Church Monuments, and Registers; including an Account of the Wiat Family, and of the Trial on Penenden Heath in 1076. With Illustrations. By J. CAVE-BROWNE, M.A. (Vicar of Detling Kent), Author of "Lambeth Palace and its Associations," "All Saint's Church, Maidstone," etc., etc. Printed for the Author by E. J. Dickinson, High Street, Maidstone, 1892. 8vo. pp. 225. Price 10 shillings. A limited edition in quarto, price 20 shillings. Address Rev. J. Cave-Browne, M.A., Detling Vicarage, Maidstone, Kent, England.

Boxley, whose history is here so well written, is one of the most ancient parishes in England. The manor is named in "Domesday Book," in which reference is made to its rating in the days of the Confessor. An Abbey was founded here in the reign of King Stephen, which flourished till the dissolution of the monasteries under Henry the Eighth.

The subjects named on the title-page are all treated in a thorough and satisfactory manner. Besides the memorable trial on Penenden Heath, there named, in 1076, "in which an Archbishop of Canterbury, and a brother of the King—and he 'the Conqueror'—were the contending parties," the Heath was the scene of other historic gatherings. On it, "so tradition has it, in the year 1381, Wat Tyler found a rallying point for his Kentish malcontents, gathering here the nucleus of that formidable body of some ten thousand men, with whom he for a time succeeded in endangering the peace of the City of London, and the very person of the feeble Richard the Second. Here too, probably, was a similar scene exacted, on a smaller scale" by Jack Cade in 1450.

The history of the Abbey, now in ruins, of the ancient church, and of the clergy, many of whom were conspicuous for their ability, and some of whom attained high dignity in the church, is here given fully and in an interesting

manner. The parish registers begin in 1558 in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Extracts are printed in this book filling thirty-six pages. Boxley was the seat of the Wiats, to which family belonged Sir Thomas Wiat the poet, whose grandson, Sir Francis Wiat, was governor of Virginia. A tabular pedigree of the Wiat family and of the Marsham family inheriting Wiat blood, now represented by the Earl of Rodney, is given. There are here also biographical sketches of members of the Wiat family and other persons connected with the family and the parish. George Sandys, the poet,—who spent some years in Virginia, and while here translated the last books of Ovid's Metamorphoses, "the first English literary production of any value that was written in this country,"—made Boxley a frequent place of sojourn, and died and was buried there.

The book is well printed and is illustrated with engravings, among which are portraits of Sir Thomas Wiat the elder and Sir Thomas Wiat the younger, Sir John Finch, Lord Fordwick, and George Sandys; and views of Boxley Church and the remains of Boxley Abbey. There is a good index.

Inscriptions on Tombstones and Monuments in the Burying Grounds of the First Presbyterian Church and St. John's Church, at Elizabeth, N. J., 1664–1892. 8vo. pp. 355. For sale by Charles L. Woodward, 78 Nassau Street, New York city. Price $4, including postage.

This volume is a very valuable contribution to the genealogical literature of this country. It is compiled and edited by Messrs. William Ogden Wheeler and Edmund D. Halsey of Morristown, N. J. It contains the inscriptions on the tombstones and monuments in the burial grounds of the two churches in Elizabeth, N. J., named on the title page. The settlement of Elizabethtown, now Elizabeth, is said to have been the first within the bounds of New Jersey made by New England people. The First Presbyterian Church was formed near the close of the seventeenth century, and St. John's Church is nearly as old, the corner stone of the first building having been laid on St. John the Baptist's day, 1706. The burial grounds were laid out very early.

The two grave yards contain 2325 stones, but some of the stones contain several inscriptions. All of these inscriptions have been copied. This has been done with great care. They are printed line for line; and fifteen of the headstones, tablets, monuments and tombs have been engraved, showing their appearance and reproducing their inscriptions in facsimile. Maps of both burial grounds are furnished. They show the location of every stone. Views of both churches are also given. The book contains a good index. It makes a handsome octavo volume and is bound in cloth. It is not published, but a few copies can be obtained at the above address at the price named. "For fastidious collectors who prefer their books untrimmed," it is announced that "a few copies have been left in sheets."

Messrs. Wheeler and Halsey deserve great credit for the thoroughness and accuracy with which they have done their work. They will receive the thanks of every true genealogist.

Proceedings of the Virginia Historical Society at the Annual Meeting held December 21–22, 1891. With Historical Papers read on the Occasion and Others. Edited by R. A. Brock. Richmond, Va.: Published by the Society. 1892. 8vo. pp. xix.+386.

This is the eleventh volume of the second series of the Collections of the Virginia Historical Society. These eleven volumes have all been edited by Mr. Brock, the corresponding secretary and librarian of that society, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to elucidate the history of his native state and to forward the interest of the institution of which he has been an officer for about seventeen years.

At the last annual meeting of the society a new departure was made. Two days were devoted to it and papers on historical subjects were read in the House of Delegates, to a large assemblage of members and invited guests, among whom were many members of the state legislature. The experiment was so successful that it is probable that the example will be followed in future. The papers read at the two sessions of the general meeting are of a high order and are printed in this volume. The authors of the papers are Prof. James M. Garnett, LL.D., Prof. John B. Henneman, Ph.D., W. P. Treat, M.A., Prof. J. L. Hall, R. T. Barton, R. S. Thomas, A.M., Richard H. Gaines, Frank P. Brent

and Mrs. Annie Tucker Tyler. The titles of their papers are given in the April REGISTER, pp. 192–3.

The volume contains also, Journal of Capt. Charles Lewis, 1755; Orderly Book of Capt. Robert Gamble 1779; and Orderly Book of Major William Heth, 1779. The three contributions are all edited by Mr. Brock. There is also a memoir of Gen. John Cropper, by Barton Haxall Wise. Prefixed is a report of the proceedings at the general meeting, the constitution of the society and a list of the officers and members. The book has a good index.

The editor and the society are to be congratulated on laying before its members and the public so valuable a contribution to the historical literature of Virginia.

Richard Bruton, Canon and Chancellor of Wells. By the Rev. F. W. WEAVER. Yeovill: Printed by the Western Chronicle Company. Limited. 1892. 8vo. pp. 11.

Thomas Chard, D.D. the last Abbot of Ford. By Rev. F. W. WEAVER, M.A. Taunton: T. M. Hawkins, 67 High Street. 1892. 8vo. pp. 16.

The two works before us are by the Rev. Frederick W. Weaver, M.A., a contributor to the REGISTER, whose antiquarian and genealogical books have from time to time been noticed in this journal. The work on Canon Bruton is reprinted from the Downside Review. That on Bishop Chard was read before the Somersetshire Archæological and Natural History Society on Wednesday, August 19, 1891, in the Abbot's Hall, Ford Abbey, built by Chard about 1520; and has been reprinted from the Proceedings of that society.

Richard Bruton, Canon and Chancellor of Wells, flourished in the reigns of Henry IV. and Henry V. He was a native of Bruton, Somersetshire, and died at London in 1417. At the time of his death "he held the Prebend of Netherhayne, in the church of Chulmleigh (Devon) and also the Prebend of Bodmin, in the church of Endellion (Cornwall)." His will was dated at London, Oct. 30, 1417, and shows him to have been a rich man and also a very charitable one. An abstract of his will is printed in this pamphlet.

Bishop Chard was a character of some prominence in ecclesiastical history in the reign of Henry VIII. He was consecrated bishop in 1508 with the title "Episcopus Solubriensis," that is, Selymbria in Thrace. He was abbot of Ford at the dissolution of the monasteries, and in 1539 surrendered Ford Abbey. He died probably at Taunton about 1544. Mr. Weaver prints his will, which was proved at Wells Oct. 16, 1544.

These two pamphlets contain much new matter concerning these ecclesiastical worthies, which Mr. Weaver has been able to bring to light in his antiquarian researches.

The Pageant of Saint Lusson, Sault Ste. Marie, 1671. A Commencement Address at the University of Michigan, June 30, 1892. By JUSTIN WINSOR. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son. University Press. 1892. 8vo. pp. 34.

Dr. Justin Winsor in his address at the University of Michigan, at the last commencement, June 30, 1892, chose for his subject the imposing pageant at Sault Sainte Marie, June 14, 1671, when Daumont de Saint Luson addressed the gathered tribes of Indians assembled for that purpose, and solemnly took possession in the name of Louis the Fourteenth, King of France and Navarre, of the vast western territory. Mr. Winsor first shows us "the conditions which had brought events to such a pass that a representative of the French King, just at this time and precisely at this spot, had found it meet to proclaim the sovereignty of France over a vast area where France possesses to-day not a rood of territory."

He graphically describes the many ineffectual efforts to find a western passage to India; and the rivalry of France and England to obtain control of the northern portion of this continent, as well as the scene at Sault Ste. Marie. He then gives a narrative of the events which led to the final extinction of the French power in North America. "It fell," he says, "to Washington's share to fire the first shot in the long war which reached a decision on the Plains of Abraham; and within two years more the lily flag had come down at Detroit and Mackinac. The Appalachians had disappeared more completely than the Pyrenees in the vision of Louis the Fourteenth. It had taken ninety years from the time when Saint Lusson threw down the gage, for the meteor flag to reach the Sault. Dreuillettes, an old man of eighty-eight, had fallen into his grave at Quebec long

before the time when English courage and constancy, which he had so long ago recognized, thus reached its natural goal. The negotiations for a confirmed peace at Paris in 1763 were hardly less cardinal than the defeat of Montcalm at Quebec."

Dr. Winsor shows a mastery of his subject, and his address throws new light on interesting portions of our history.

Columbian Fair Edition. The Discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. By HARRY HAKES, M.D. Wilkes-Barré, Pa.: Robert Baur & Son, Printers. 1892. Sq. 16mo. pp. 152.

Dr. Harry Hakes of Wilkes-Barré, in January last delivered a lecture in that place before the Young Men's Hebrew Association, on the "Discovery of America," which was highly spoken of by the local newspapers. The favorable reception which his lecture received has, we presume, induced him to prepare this small volume on the same subject. "The mass of mankind in this hurrying age" he says in his preface, "will neither purchase, peruse nor possess the extensive literature pertaining to the 'Discovery of America.'" He hopes, however, that the work he has compiled will be found to "contain a sufficiently full historical statement, to elucidate the great event the world is preparing to commemorate." Dr. Hakes's book will be found a very useful volume.

Business and Diversion, inoffensive to God and necessary to the Comfort and Support of human society: A Discourse utter'd in Part at Ammaukeeg Falls in the Fishing Season, 1739. Boston: Printed for S. Kneeland and T. Green in Queen Street, 1748. Reprint, 1892. 8vo. pp. 36.

This is the title of the first sermon preached within the limits of what is now Manchester, N. H., which was printed. It has been reprinted "verbatim, literatim et punctuatim" (May, 1892), by Mr. S. C. Gould of Manchester, who has long been a collector of books and pamphlets relating to that place. The edition consists of seventy-five copies only. The sermon is by Rev. Joseph Seccombe of Kingston, N. H., who dedicated it to the Hon. Theodore Atkinson using the pseudonym of Fluviatulis Piscator. The author was born at Boston, Mass., June 25, 1706; grad. H. C. 1731, and died Sept. 15, 1760. I think he was a cousin of Rev. John Seccombe (H. C. 1728), the author of Father Abbey's Will. The original edition of the sermon is very rare, only five perfect copies being known to be in existence. Mr. Seccombe gives much sound practical advice to his hearers.

One Hundred Years of the Hartford Bank, now the Hartford National Bank. Prepared at the Request of the President and Directors. By P. H. WOODWARD. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1892. 8vo. pp. 175.

Two financial institutions in Connecticut complete this year a century of their existence, namely, the Union Bank of New London and the Hartford (National) Bank, both being chartered at the same session of the Connecticut General Assembly. The second of these institutions commemorates the event by issuing the volume before us.

The Hartford Bank was organized June 14, 1792. Only four State banks antedate the two Connecticut banks: "the Bank of North America of Philadelphia, incorporated by an ordinance of the Continental Congress, Dec. 31, 1781, and chartered by Pennsylvania in March, 1782; the Bank of New York, organized and in active operation in 1784, but unable to secure a charter till March 21, 1791; the Massachusetts Bank, chartered Feb. 7, 1784, and the Providence Bank, which began business in October, 1791." To the state banks should be added one national bank—the United States Bank, chartered by Congress in 1791.

Mr. Woodward gives in this volume not only a history of the bank, but also much matter illustrating the financial history of the state and nation. With his account of the founding of the bank, he incorporates biographical sketches of its founders. The century during which the bank has been in operation has been marked by many financial changes, and those affecting the Hartford Bank are particularly noticed in this volume. The book contains much material illustrating the social history of the place.

The illustrations are very fine. A view of the bank, several portraits on steel, and fac-similes of early bills and checks, add much to the interest of the book. It is handsomely printed and well indexed.

The Foundation of the French Power in the West Indies, 1625–1664. 8vo. pp. 22.

The Capitulation to the French in 1782. By N. DARNELL DAVIS. 8vo. pp. 39.

St. Kitts: an Episode of the Civil War Time. By N. DARNELL DAVIS. Newspaper slip.

Barbados in 1651. By N. DARNELL DAVIS. Newspaper slip.

Mr. Davis of Georgetown, Demerara, is adding much, by his persistent research, to the history of the West Indies and British Guiana.

The first pamphlet before us is a translation from "Les Navigateurs Frangais" of Léon Guérin, by Mrs. George Dawson. It is annotated by Mr. Davis. It is an interesting account of the foundation of the French power in the West Indies.

The second pamphlet is a narrative by Mr. Davis of the events which led to the surrender to the French, Feb. 3, 1782, at Demerara, of the British ships stationed there and the colonies of Demerara, Essequibo and Berbice, which had been captured from the Dutch one year previous, in February, 1781.

The article on St. Kitts gives letters of Francis Lord Willoughby of Parham and others, 1650–1651, showing how Willoughby failed to induce the colonists of St. Kitts to join the Royalists of Barbados in declaring for Charles II. and against the Parliament of England. The letters are from the Tanner MSS. in the Bodleian Library at Oxford.

The article on Barbados consists of documents relating to that island, of which the longest is "A Breife Discription of the Iland of Barbados," from a manuscript in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin.

The two pamphlets are reprinted at Georgetown, from "Timehri," the Journal of the Royal Agricultural and Commercial Society. In the several publications noticed here Mr. Davis furnishes much new matter, the result of his research among original documents.

1635–1892. Thurston Genealogies. Compiled by BROWN THURSTON, Portland, Maine. Second Edition. Portland, Maine: Published by Brown Thurston. 1892. 8vo. pp. xvi.+744. Price $5 in cloth and $7.50 in half turkey, to which 25 cents is to be added for postage.

Index Armorial to an Emblazoned Manuscript of the Surname of French, Franc, Francois, Frene and others, both British and Foreign. By A. D. WELD FRENCH. Boston: Privately Printed. 1892. 8vo. pp. 107.

Records of the Pemberton Family. Principally from Memorials of the City of Boston. 1890. Fcp. 4to. pp. 26.

Pedigree of King of Lynn, Essex County, Mass., 1602–1891. Five Lines of Descent traced by RUFUS KING, Esq., of Yonkers, New York. Broadside 28 in. by 23 in.

We continue in this number our quarterly list of publications relating to genealogy.

The first book on our list is the Thurston Genealogies, the second edition of which is before us. Twelve years ago, in 1880, Mr. Thurston issued the first edition of his work. It made a volume of 598 pages. The second edition is one quarter larger than the first, and is otherwise improved in various ways. The author has been engaged upon the Thurston genealogy for seventeen years, and the noble volume before us is an evidence of his industrious research and his skill in arranging his materials. We have here 10,520 names of Thurstons and their children indexed, not including those who died under two years of age. There are 17,976 other names indexed, making a total of over twenty-eight hundred names. The author says: "My original design for publishing the second edition of Thurston Genealogies was to reproduce all that the first edition contained and such additions as I have been able to collect. But the additions were so voluminous I found it necessary to leave out the wills, lengthy history of individuals, and some historical matter, amounting to one hundred and thirteen pages, which appeared in the first edition. In all such cases, however, I have referred to the omissions in foot-notes, giving the pages where they can be found. The number of these references, being nearly one hundred, shows that both volumes will be required to make the history complete." "The book" he adds, "is not a mere collection of names and dates, but in every case where it was possible the business, residence and religion is given, making it a

readable book as well as one of reference." The book is well printed and bound, and is embellished with twenty-one fine portraits. It has an excellent index.

The next title on our list is one relating to the family of French and its armorial bearings. It contains much information about the heraldry of the families of French, Franc, &c., which will be particularly interesting to persons of the name. The preface contains a history of the name from the earliest time when surnames were used. The body of the work gives under each form of the name the various arms used and the locations of those who used them. Though the author has been able to show the residences of a large number of those bearing the surname French in England, he is still collecting materials on the subject, and will be thankful for any new information as to the names of the townships and counties in which the families were located, as well as additional information about their coats of arms prior to the year 1650. The book is handsomely printed.

The next work, that on the Pemberton Family, is by a lady of Westerly, R. I., who is a descendant. The book has been privately printed for the use of the family. The Pembertons have been conspicuous in New England history, and this book in which their history is recorded will be welcomed by genealogists. The typographical appearance of the volume is excellent.

The King broadside is a companion to the pedigree by the same author, noticed by us in July, devoted to the descendants of William King of Salem. The present work gives some of the descendants of David Kinge of Lynn, Mass., who was a son of Ralphe King of Watford, Hertfordshire, England. The two tabular pedigrees are compiled in a thorough and careful manner, as are all of the publications of Mr. King of Yonkers.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

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I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

THE Exhibitions of Harvard College, founded prior to 1800. By Andrew McFarland Davis. Boston. 1892. 8vo. pp. 13.

In Memoriam. Jeremiah Colburn. Boston. 1892. 8vo. pp. 7. By John Ward Dean.

The Episcopal Address of William Stevens Perry, Bishop of Iowa. Des Moines, Iowa. 1892. 8vo. pp. 21.

Congregational Year Book, 1892. Edited by Rev. Henry Allen Hazen, D.D. Boston. 1892. 8vo. pp. 416.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Sources of Genealogical Information in Maryland.—Under the royal charter which Lord Baltimore received preparatory to founding a colony in Maryland, the fee of all lands embraced within the province was vested in him. As Lord Proprietary he caused to be established a rule under which each immigrant, coming direct from the mother country to the province, received a given number of acres for himself, and an additional number for each of his children and servants, the object being to encourage immigration. Lands were conveyed to the settlers subject to a rental payable to the Lord Proprietary, which, however, was merely nominal. The settler's evidence of title was a certificate issued

to him by the surveyor, stating the metes and bounds of the tract allotted to him, the number of acres it contained, the date of survey, etc. These certificates were carefully recorded, presumably in every case, and the manuscript volumes which contain them are in a good state of preservation. The penmanship is good, much of it remarkably so, and is as easily read as a well written modern page.

From this record can be learned the names of the original holders of the land, and approximately the date of their arrival in the country. The number of persons included in their households is also indicated more or less clearly.

From the earliest settlement of the colony, transfers of land appear to have been attended with more formality than in most of the new communities in America. Deeds drawn up in due form were in almost all cases executed and recorded, and the result is that Maryland has what are probably the most complete land records to be found in any of the older states of the Union. It was a more or less prevalent custom to recite in the deed the manner in which the grantor became possessed of the land he was conveying, and not infrequently a sort of abstract of the title is given in the deed, tracing it from grantee to grantor, back to the certificate of survey issued under the authority of the Lord Proprietary. Of course lands were conveyed by will, and the distribution of estates of decedents; and clues afforded by the records of deeds are often of great value to the genealogist.

Much attention was given to the forms of law and legal procedure, during the colonial period. The courts held regular sessions from the earliest times, law and equity cases of every description were adjudicated, and estates of decedents were almost always settled in accordance with established legal methods; and a record of the inventory, administrator's mesne and final accounts, etc., was made. In some cases the administrator's final account gives the names of the heirs, but in most instances it does not. The records of the administrations had under the authority of the colonial courts appear to be tolerably complete from a very early date, and are in a good state of preservation.

In the office of the clerk of the state supreme court, in the State House at Annapolis, are several manuscript volumes which contain, among other things, petitions that were presented to the colonial legislature by immigrants, asking to be naturalized. These documents frequently afford much information concerning the petitioner, by giving the place and date of his birth, an account of his marriage, the number of his children, the date of his arrival, his occupation, etc. It was the rule for a private act to be passed granting such a petition. In the year 1765, the Rev. Thomas Bacon compiled all the acts of the colonial legislature passed from its first session till then, and caused the same to be printed. The compilation fills a large folio volume, includes the private naturalization acts that had been passed, and has an index.

The most valuable source of information, if the parish registers be excepted, are the records of wills. These are in a good state of preservation and are well indexed. In general character they do not differ much from similar records in other colonies.

All of the above records made in any part of the colony prior to the year 1777, are kept at Annapolis. In that year the colonial legislature passed a law which required to be kept, at the county seat of each county, records of land transfers, probate proceedings, wills, marriage licenses, etc. All records pertaining to land, in any county in the state, dated prior to 1777, are stored in what is known as the Land Office. All wills proved in the colony up to that year are in the office of the Register of Wills at Annapolis, who is, however, an officer of Anne Arundel county. The manuscript volumes which contain the records of probate proceedings, accounts of administrators, guardianship matters, etc., up to 1777, are in the custody of the last named officer.

Prior to the year 1777, no civil record of marriages was kept in the colony. But the law of that year relating to records provided for the issuance of marriage licenses by the clerks of the circuit courts of the respective counties. As each marriage license blank was charged to the account of the court clerk to whom it was issued, as so much money, by the state treasurer, the recipient of the blanks was impelled by a pecuniary consideration, to keep a strict account of his disposal of them; hence in each county is a fairly complete record of marriage licenses issued.

At no time has there been kept in Maryland, under any requirement of civil law, a record of births or deaths. There is now, and has been for some years,

a law requiring births to be reported to and recorded by the clerk of the circuit court of the county; but the law is inoperative.

Persons desiring to procure, by correspondence, information from records in Maryland, may address the following officials: For data from land records prior to 1777, Chief Clerk, Land Office, Annapolis. For data from wills, administration records, etc., prior to that year, Register of Wills, Annapolis. For information concerning early naturalizations, Clerk Supreme Court, Annapolis. For information from land records and marriage licenses since 1777, Clerk Circuit Court, at the county seat. For information from wills, administration records, etc., since 1777, Register of Wills, at the county seat. For names of present taxpayers, Clerk County Commissioners, at the county seat.

The main reliance of the genealogist working in Maryland, for dates of birth and death, and of marriage prior to 1777, are the parish registers. Unfortunately these are very imperfect, and none of them now in existence date back to the early years or the settlement of the colony. Baltimore county was organized about forty years before it could boast a regularly settled pastor. No doubt the settlers habitually practised religious worship, though without a settled minister, but the oldest parish register in that county, whose people settled a region since divided into several counties, does not date back earlier than the closing years of the 17th century, and it is stated that there is not a parish register extant in the State containing records of birth, marriage and death, in regular order, earlier than 1690.

Thus no record exists from which can be gleaned the names and dates of birth of the first generation of children born in the colony, and in a large proportion of cases the same may be said of the second generation. Nothing can compensate for this lack of information relative to the second and the third generations (counting the immigrants the first) of the inhabitants of Maryland, and the genealogist must ever meet with difficulty and perplexity in assigning children to parents, and in respect to dates. Barring this one great lack, the State abounds in genealogical and historical data.

But the field is an uncultivated one. The wealth of information embraced in the vast accumulations of records at Annapolis and in some of the older counties, is difficult of access from lack of convenient arrangement and indexes, and a surprisingly small amount of it has ever found its way into print. The State Legislature, at its last session, was appealed to for an appropriation to defray the expense of preparing an index to the administration records dating prior to 1777, but refused to make the expenditure. There is, however, a growing interest in local history and genealogical pursuits, and it is doubtless only a question of time when the legislature, officials and people of Maryland will be aroused to the necessity of bringing forth the recorded truth relating to her founders, and making it accessible to all the world. B. F. Cummings, Jr.

Centenary of Kentucky's admission to the Union.—On Wednesday, June 1, 1892, the Filson Club celebrated at Louisville, the one hundredth anniversary of the statehood of Kentucky, by an historical address by the president, Col. R. T. Durrett, and a poem by Maj. Henry T. Stanton. The exercises were closed by a banquet at night, at which excellent speeches were made. The Courier-Journal, Louisville, June 2, contains Col. Durrett's address, Maj. Stanton's poem, an account of the other proceedings at the Centennial, and much historical and biographical matter relating to Kentucky, profusely illustrated.

Genealogies in Preparation.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Chase. } —H. A. E. Thomas, 595 Carroll Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., has a large
Fountain. } genealogy of the Chase family which he expects to have printed. He has quite a large Fountain genealogy, and small Perry, Maltby and Applehy

genealogies. Persons of those names and others interested in the families are advised to furnish any genealogical information they have.

Glascock.—Mr. J. L. Glascock, Jr., of Bishop's Stortford, Herts, England, has for some years been collecting information relating to the family of Glascock, and would be grateful for any information our readers can give him relating to several of the name who have from time to time emigrated to America, and their descendants. The name is correctly spelt Glascock, though it often appears in other forms.

Odell.—Mr. Rufus King, of Yonkers, N. Y., is preparing for publication an account of some of the descendants of Mr. William Odell, who was of Concord, Mass. in 1639.

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The Centennial Milestone. An Address in Commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Incorporation of Quincy, Mass.; delivered July 4, 1892. By CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, printers. University Press. 1892. Pamphlet, 8vo.; pp. 59.

These two bound volumes are, in fact, one. The second begins with page 533, and ends, with an index to both volumes, at page 1067. Two light and handy books are thus provided, not burdensome to hold in reading, nor too cumbrous to be pocketed or bagged for perusal during a railroad or steamboat trip. The binding is comely and surfaced to resist dust, and the typography clear, with ample space between the lines. The date of the year constantly appears at the top of the page, referring to the text below, and there is the constant additional convenience of a double date wherever the day of the month is given, corresponding to the difference between the old and new style.

The three episodes are: the settlement of Boston Bay; the Antinomian controversy, so called; and the evolution of the author's place of residence, the city of Quincy, from its condition at the time of the white man's first appearance there. That date was 1625, and in the interval the place has borne, successively, the names of Mount Wollaston, Braintree and Quincy. For a single discourse the three episodes might seem to be topics wide apart, but they have something in common, as the author demonstrates, and under his portraiture they appear as three cherries pendent from one stem. He explains in his preface that the prompting to write came through certain investigations made in preparing an address commemorative of the settlement of the neighboring town of Weymouth. That prompting was in the first instance only to the production of a history of Quincy, but the theme broadened in contemplation as he proceeded, and the result was the more comprehensive historical discussion entitled as above.

That part of the book which deals with the history of Quincy is less full in detail than are many town histories, but the characteristic and what may be called the picturesque facts of record have been sedulously sought out, and are here presented in chronological order, lucidly, and with much sage commentary. By this method, and under the author's skilful treatment, the local reader or town resident has no cause to complain, and those identified, by residence or otherwise, with any of the ancient towns of Massachusetts, are benefited through the reflected light which this narration of the experience of Braintree and Quincy will supply, for illumination of contemporary records in those towns; while the stranger and student, who desires only a typical instance of the New-England town system, need search no farther. Furthermore, the instruction is, as the author intimates, that in the vicissitudes of this, or many other of the ancient towns of Massachusetts, may be studied, in miniature, the mutations of the nation's history (that which has been or will be), since the same ethical and political principles have sway in the little and the great republic. To many readers, what the author has to say under this title of the town of Quincy will prove the most interesting of the three chapters; but if it be so, the reviewer is inclined to think that it is a case of seeming best because appearing last. Judged by the literary canons, the second in succession, that on the Antinomian controversy, should have the palm; while in the field of Massachusetts or New England historical discussion, the first, or that relating to the beginnings of civilization on these shores, is the most valuable.

It may be remarked, that to a considerable extent this product of Mr. Adams's pen is not new to readers of current historical literature; but these will value it not less than others, as being now put into permanent form and made readily accessible. All readers will be gratified in finding so much of information concerning things remote, and, as regards many of them, embodied in the original records in a manner to be confusing, here brought together and fused into coherency and made intelligible. Whoever, hereafter, will write of New England's early history, either with reference to phases of that history or with reference to geographical divisions, will need to have Mr. Adams's two handy volumes within reach. The aid they will supply is partly consequent upon the thoroughness and wide scope of his investigations, indicated by abundant foot-notes and other references, and partly upon the author's habit of passing an independent judgment upon all mooted points; therein, in some instances, presenting an original and novel view. These personal interpretations are not all likely to have general acceptance, but all will be scanned because of their evident sincerity and intended impartiality.

In what he has to say of the beginnings of New England, the author gives no hint of the presence on the coast in 1497 and 1498 of Sebastian Cabot, and only a glimpse in the haze of things of Capt. John Smith, in 1614; but Sir Ferdinando Gorges is quite distinctly limned as the colossal figure in that beginning. After some account of Gorges' prior military career, he is presented in the period between 1601 and 1605 as the military governor of Plymouth, in England, and as entering about that time into colonizing schemes with Sir John Popham, chief justice of the King's bench. To Popham's influence is attributed the grant of two royal charters, one to the London and one to the Plymouth company. Popham and Georges identified themselves with the latter company, whose territory took in the whole coast from the Potomac River to the outer verge of Cape Breton. Each of these dignitaries sent out an expedition in 1606. Popham died in 1607, and thenceforward for a period of years Gorges appears to have been a promoter, either directly or indirectly through his agents, of all the movements looking to colonization in what is now Massachusetts. The Pilgrim Fathers were influenced in their decision to come to New England by Weston, who, if not the agent of Gorges in this particular matter, was such in other matters, and held intimate relations with him. One of the signatures upon the patent by which the Pilgrims held title to their domain is that of Ferdinando Gorges. Weston himself came hither in 1622, and located at what is now Weymouth, under like sanction. Robert Gorges, son of Ferdinando, arrived at Weymouth in 1623, intending a permanent settlement. He bore official title as "Lieutenant of the Council for New England"; the original Plymouth company having been merged into this Council under the manipulation of Ferdinando Gorges. Robert Gorges was also styled "Governor of the Country," meaning New England. One of his first acts on getting ashore was to call Weston to account for misdoings and disloyalty to Sir Ferdinando's in-

terests. The two met at Plymouth. To the wordy dispute which ensued the Pilgrim officials were listeners, and in what was said and done both Weston and those officials recognized the paramount authority of Gorges as "Governor of the Country."

The Weston attempt at settlement at Weymouth was, as Mr. Adams explains, a failure; but that of Robert Gorges, though not a success with reference to the Gorges intentions, and though unimportant as respects the number of settlers abiding, was a permanent lodgement upon the coast; wherefore, Mr. Adams dates the settlement of Boston Bay from the year 1623. As Mr. Adams further explains, this expedition of Robert Gorges would have been a formidable affair could it have been well sustained in England. It was organized not merely for trade, as in case of Weston, but for government and ecclesiastical rule. Its two clergymen of the Church of England, as our author concludes, were Rev. Mr. Morrell, who was certainly at Weymouth and wrote a poem there which he published in England afterwards, and Rev. Mr. Blackstone, who at a later date was found cabined on the west slope of the Shawmut peninsula. Mr. Adams comments pertinently as to this situation of affairs upon New England's shores in 1623, and the dismay it must have caused to the Pilgrims, and suggests that they well "might have asked themselves if the earth did indeed contain no wilderness so remote that an Established Church could not follow them into it to persecute." Happily, as he goes on to say, the two clergymen named were not of a persecuting spirit, nor did the newly arrived Gorges government have the force at command to persecute had it been so disposed.

Still, so far as human foresight could then discern, the force might soon be at hand; for this expedition was designed to be the first step in a greater emigration which should bring Ferdinando himself to New England, as its head and governor general of the country. This grand Gorges scheme failed for want of money and active support in England. Robert Gorges having wintered at Weymouth, was glad to get away in the early spring. He sailed with part of his company, first for what is now Portsmouth, N. H., and there decided to return to England, leaving a remnant (whether agreeably to themselves or not) at Weymouth. Of this remnant a part, as Mr. Adams believes and avers, removed to more favorable situations in the Bay, namely Blackstone to Shawmut, Maverick to Winnesimmet, and Walford to Charlestown, leaving among those at Weymouth the clergyman Morrell, William Jeffreys and John Bursley. Of these, Morrell did not stay long, but the others, the number being unknown, continued and made the permanent settlement.

Besides these, Thomas Morton was present during a part of these early years at Mt. Wollaston. In the year 1630, shortly before Winthrop arrived, Sir Christopher Gardner made his abode near the Neponset river, as is conjectured. David Thomson occupied the island in Boston harbor which still bears his name, in 1626-28, and his widow was living there or near by in 1630. The interesting point brought out by Mr. Adams in this narration of familiar facts is that all these persons, thus scattered along the shore of the Bay from Weymouth to what is now called Chelsea, were at one time or another, and in one way or another, concerned in some of the Gorges movements, enough so at least to show a friendly feeling towards and a certain identity with Gorges; and, moreover, that they and their servants and adherents were not of the Puritanic order. Mr. Adams describes them as "the Episcopalian advance guard of the Puritan emigration, those composing which had, when Winthrop first sailed into Boston Bay, already for seven years been living on its shores." Furthermore, these people, or the bulk of them, were in this view of the matter the "old planters," frequently referred to in Massachusetts documents and writings of early date. Mr. Adams does not in this book give his reasons for concluding that these old planters were an advance guard sent out by Gorges, the precursors, by intention, of a firm Episcopalian establishment in Massachusetts. He had done that previously in a paper read before the Massachusetts Historical Society and published in its "Proceedings" in 1878. That interpretation having remained for fourteen years without refutation, and perhaps without challenge, he complacently (but who shall say unwarrantably?) assumes it as data for his present narration.

In this view, accordingly, when Endicott and Winthrop reached these shores they did not find the country, as has sometimes been portrayed and often imagined, in a state of nature, a land of "woods and Indians," nor even of woods, Indians and fishermen; but to a degree occupied under a charter, such as

it was, by an "advance guard" of the prelacy. If it were so, it may be surmised that the new comers, having an indisputable charter, were well disposed to uproot these tender plants, or at least to freeze them out. At any rate the Mount Wollaston settlement was removed root and branch, and its owner sent a prisoner to England. Blackstone ere long found the rule of the "lord-brethren" to be uncongenial, and with not less politeness, it may be presumed, than, according to Winthrop, was manifested by those brethren in the departure of Sir Christopher Gardner, he was "dismissed in peace." The former found a situation to his liking in Rhode Island, and the latter within the Gorges patent in Maine. Walford, as Mr. Adams intimates, had no better treatment than any ordinary blacksmith who had "confronted the authorities" would have got in England in King Charles' day. He was banished to Portsmouth. Maverick was tolerated after a fashion, though in a crisis he was commanded to remove himself to theBoston side of the channel, where he could be better watched than at his island home. Those who lingered at Weymouth seem to have given no offence, but to have accepted the inevitable, and become merged in the Puritan community which grew up there.

But these things were not done in a corner. All England had opportunity to know about them by taking note of the proceedings in the high courts of the kingdom. What may be called the war of the royal charters was fought out there, and of this Mr. Adams gives a concise and luminous account. Had the judicial circumstances been favorable to Gorges the occupancy of the Massachusetts coast by his straggling bands of settlers might have proved to be a formidable fact; but in the end, as our author makes it clear, Gorges disappears, and the not less colossal figure of John Winthrop is beheld firmly seated in the chair of authority.

In the preface to his book Mr. Adams, though recognizing the fitness of its more comprehensive title, says that "in a narrow sense it is a history of the town of Quincy." Accordingly, however distant the situation to which the reader's attention is called, he will find that there is, at least, a thread of circumstance connecting it with that ancient municipality. Thus, a compendious history of the Plymouth colony, in its early period, is given in the book, and thereby the reader is reminded, among other things, that two of the victories of the redoubtable Capt. Miles Standish were achieved on Massachusetts soil, at Mount Wollaston and at Wessagusset; and that both Weston's party of adventurers and their successors of the Robert Gorges expedition might have perished on the then dismal shores of Boston Bay, had it not been for timely and generous aid supplied from Plymouth. Boston and Cambridge are the scenes of the fierce Antinomian controversy, but in the narration Mount Wollaston early comes into view as the parish, or parochial vineyard, of Rev. Mr. Wheelwright, whence he set forth for Boston to preach what proved to be (doubtless without intention on his part) his incendiary discourse. And when all was over, and only the sentence of doom remained to be executed, Mount Wollaston again appears as the first resting place of Mrs. Hutchinson in her journey of banishment. On one of the last days of March, 1638, she took passage in a boat at Boston for the Mount, where her husband had a farm, and where, besides the minister, Wheelwright, two other men of distinction, who were of her adherents, William Coddington and Atherton Hough, were proprietors. Of Coddington there is at Quincy a continuous official record to date, concerning certain school lands which came to the municipality from him; and of Hough there is a perpetual memorial in "Hough's Neck," a favorite sea-side resort.

Of Capt. Wollaston, whose name the Mount preserves, the author relates all that can be told; and of the doings of Thomas Morton, "mine host," "lord of misrule," whose name history and romance, and also poetry, such as it is, have taken into their keeping, he gives a particular and lively description. In the "Antinomian" part of the book all, or nearly all, the great chiefs of the Puril tan colony are brought into view and discoursed upon, either in their politica- or theological aspect or both. The author makes no disguise of his dislike of their theology and of their standards of conduct in the given case. It is easy to see, in the reading, that this "episode" might be written up in quite another vein; but the author is full and candid in his presentation of the facts, and of notes of reference to contemporary and other writings bearing upon the subject.

The book will be widely read and much enjoyed, and will find a place in every historian's library or other library organized with an historical department. It

is not to be regarded as a finality, for in certain respects it is rather a beginning, and opens up new fields for investigation and narration; and it is everywhere valuable as a guide. The trend of things from the earliest days forward, through periods of various length, is clearly discerned and traced by the author. It is a suggestive book, and on some points may go farther than to suggest, and may provoke a taking up of the pen by another historian. Of the great multitude of interesting matters touched upon, dwelt upon, or alluded to, the index of fifty-six pages length bears witness.

Two or three matters, though not of special importance, have caught the reviewer's attention as seeming to demand a query point. For precision's sake they may be mentioned. Twice, at least, appears the phrase "under weigh," signifying a ship's starting upon her voyage. In it is a mingling of two distinct ideas, covering two events which stand in the relation of cause and effect. When the anchor has been weighed the ship instantly gets under way; but the "weigh" in the one case stands in no etymological relation whatever to the "way" in the other case.

The statement on page 233 as to the original Dorchester settlers is: "The locality where the whole company finally settled down was the historical Dorchester Heights, now better known as South Boston." The expression "finally settled down" will not serve; though "settled down for a day and a night" might do. The final settlement was around the log meeting-house and fortress just north of the less famous height of Jones' Hill, and numerously, on both sides of the line of the present Old Colony railroad at Savin Hill.

On page 237 is a reference to "George Alcock, deacon of the church at Dorchester." This is literally correct, but as thus stated might conceivably prove misleading. If, for instance, any of the deacon's descendants, thus prompted, were to visit Dorchester, thinking to find the scenes and situations where their ancestor lived, farmed, paid town taxes and voted in town meetings, they would be quite wrong. He was a Roxbury man in all these particulars, but was ordained and temporarily served at Dorchester. Pastor Eliot, in his record of the Roxbury church, is the sole authority in the case, and he says of Alcock: "When the people of Roxbury joined to the church at Dorchester (until such time as God should give them opportunity to be a church among themselves) he was, by the church, chosen to be deacon, especially to regard the brethren at Roxbury; and after he adjoined himself to this church, at Roxbury, he was ordained deacon of this church."

The author seems willing, per page 625, in case of "Hough's Neck" to tolerate the pronunciation of "How's Neck." By persistent endeavor our historians have gained a restoration of the true name of another headland in the lower harbor, "Point Allerton," long generally called "Alderton," and it is to be hoped that no consent will be given that we shall again "lapse into barbarism" in the pronunciation of the name of the Quincy headland. Mr. Adams is partly on the right road when, in the same foot note, he says that there is a popular idea that the name derives "from some supposed resemblance of the locality to a horse's neck." The boatmen, fishermen, gunners, clam diggers, etc., of thirty or forty years ago, resident in the upper part of the bay, could have pointed towards the right solution. They called the headland "Hoss Neck." The name had suffered a sea change in being handed down to them, orally, through five or six generations, but they preserved the true sound of the vowel. Happily, all doubts are removed by the official recorder or secretary of the General Court when Mr. Hough was an Assistant. He spells the name in his record five or six times, phonetically, and as he must have heard it pronounced when the Assistant was recognized by the chair or responded to roll call—"Hoffe." It may be remarked gratuitously that in the corruption of "Alderton" we probably have the true pronunciation of the vowel, and that phonetically the Plymouth man's name would appear "Ollerton."

Were there two John Bursleys? Our author seems quite sure of one as an original settler at Weymouth. The History of Dorchester gives Dr. Harris as authority for the statement that John Bursley was an original settler of Dorchester, in 1630. The History adds that he was in the country before that date and was an early settler of Weymouth. Dr. Harris was a careful historian, but unfortunately does not always give the source of his information. But the town record of Dorchester is not open to any dispute, and it states that in June, 1634, John Bursley was chosen in town meeting, with six other prominent citizens, to the important office of assessor. If Bursley could be voted for, he could

vote; if he could vote he must have been a Puritan in good standing. How, then to account for him posing as a Gorges man and an Episcopalian at Wessagusset?

The pamphlet containing the centennial oration of Mr. Adams is of course restricted to Quincy affairs. In the discussion of those affairs about equal attention is given to their historical and to their political aspect. Considerable of what is contained in the two volumes named above relating to Quincy appears in substance, with somewhat more of philosophizing as to how best to begin the new century in the particular of local government. In brief the problem of the coming century for Quincy, and other American cities, is defined to be, How to contrive so that the city administration shall be conducted on business principles; how to get the most competent and reliable men into positions of authority, as is done in a railroad, banking or manufacturing corporation?

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

An Historical Account of the Old State House of Pennsylvania, now known as the Hall of Independence. By FRANK M. ETTING. With numerous illustrations. Second edition, with continuation. Philadelphia: Porter & Coates. 1891. Small 4to pp. ix.+222.

Mr. Frank M. Etting, the author of this deeply-interesting and well-written volume, has made a valuable addition to historical literature. Would that other skilful workers would also enter this useful field of labor before the many priceless manuscripts now available are lost or destroyed. The book is enriched by many rare reproductions of portraits and prints of Colonial times. There should be a copy of it in every public and private library.

It seems to me that no branch of learning can be more interesting and instructive to the seeker after knowledge, than that of history. Amid all the mere speculations and theories, the shifting hypotheses of our day, it is refreshing and helpful to turn to the ample page of history, "rich with the spoils of time." If it be objected that history is imperfect, scholars will generally admit that it is in the main correct and to be relied on. At any rate, the leading facts, the great epoch-making events of the past, with all their mighty influences, cannot be gainsaid. Certainly there is no better guide and source of knowledge (after Holy Scripture and tradition) than this. Perhaps earnest students of history may draw from it and apply to their thought and life widely different lessons. As the variation in the quality and calibre of minds, training and association is very great, so are the results deduced from the investigation of the same. But the man who does not, not only modify his thought by the experiences and conclusions arrived at by the wise men of the past, can have but a very narrow conception of life and all its grand opportunities and possibilities. Not that any one should be slavishly bound to think and act in all ways as others have done, for this would be perilous to the intellectual life. In all matters not of the Christian faith (and even here in this sacred precinct, if the soul cannot honestly accept the eternal truths of religion) there should be wide liberty for freedom of thought and action. Noble ideals, nobly carried out, have ever ruled the world; have ever led the way in progress and growth, not only in the mental development of man, but in that far higher part of his nature, his spiritual life as well. And men will gladly follow where there are leaders full of enthusiasm and of stern devotion to duty to go before. So it has always been, and so it will always be. If there have been lapses in the history of nations, there have always been the strong flood tides of righteousness to succeed them. Hildebrand, Francis of Assisi, Martin Luther, have stirred the world to its very depths. And God will continue to raise up other holy and humble men of heart to carry forward the grand work of the salvation of men. Other branches of study prepare the way for, lead us to the path of learning, but the careful study of history takes us directly to the source, the fountain head of knowledge. And what more important and engaging division of the subject can there be (to Americans at least) than the study of our own history and institutions, the grand outgrowth from the great principles inherited from our British forefathers who (under the guidance of Almighty God) built up here in the new world a powerful nation? And what, I ask, can be of deeper interest to us—after devotion to religion—than the careful application and dissemination of the great political principles embodied in our Declaration of Independence? No loyal American can ever regard the principles contained therein save with the deepest regard and respect. Here is the political foundation of our national life. Liberty is ever the watchward of Old England and New England; liberty—under the law of the land—to act and speak

as conscience dictates. Neither is this liberty to be ever allowed to degenerate into anarchism. The tenacity and staying qualities of our race, our love of order and justice inwrought through and through in that splendid code of the English common law—"the best," no less an authority than Montesquieu has said—"that the world has ever seen"—the principles of which are accepted and believed in by all English-speaking peoples, may be safely trusted to carry us through all insurrections from within and dangers from without. So shall we retain the position which our race has so proudly won in the van of civilization and true progress. So shall we be carriers and dispensers of the Christian religion to all nations.

By the Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

Bibliography of Dover, N. H. By JOHN R. HAM, M.D. Concord, N. H.: Ira C. Evans, Printer. 1892. 12mo. pp. 74.

Dover, N. H. in the U. S. Navy, 1861-1865. By JOHN R. HAM, M.D. Dover, N. H.: N. E. Stiles, Printer. 1892. 12mo. pp. 11.

The Necessity for a Hospital in Dover, N. H. Read by JOHN R. HAM, M.D., at the regular meeting of the Dover Medical Society, on Feb. 3, 1892. Dover, N. H.: N. E. Stiles's Job Printing House. 1892. 12mo. pp. 6.

Here are three works relating to Dover in New Hampshire by Dr. Ham of that city, who has done much to preserve materials for the history of that ancient town.

The Bibliography of Dover contains: 1, Works on Dover; 2, Works written by residents of Dover while residing there; 3, Works bearing the publication imprint of Dover. The compilation seems to be very thoroughly and accurately done. We are surprised at the number of titles Dr. Ham has been able to collect. It will prove a very useful work.

In the next work, Dover in the United States Navy, the author gives a list of one hundred citizens of Dover who served in the navy, with the names of the vessels in which they served, besides other interesting details.

The other pamphlet is an able plea for a hospital in that city.

The London and Middlesex Notebook. A Garner of Local History and Antiquities. Edited by W. P. W. PHILLIMORE. London: Elliot Stock, 62 Paternoster Row, E. C. 1892. 8vo. pp. 288. Price 10 shillings.

This book, by an antiquarian writer well known to our readers, is peculiarly interesting because of the great variety of its contents; every fact that is difficult of access or liable to total loss relating to London and Middlesex is deemed an appropriate part of it. Brief histories of societies and the work of their members, copies of monumental inscriptions, accounts of local customs, biographical notices, and geographical items. In some respects the most important part of the book is the frequent articles on the old buildings now destroyed, telling when and by whom they were erected and occupied, and sometimes accompanied by drawings. This study of the changes in appearance of localities is becoming most popular in New England, especially in Boston, and the columns of the Saturday Evening *Transcript* are highly valued for this kind of matter; but a pamphlet like Mr. Phillimore's admits fuller description and illustration, and this one feature of its work must make it of inestimable value in a few years of our changing times. The most amusing articles, which would interest everyone, are the descriptions of ancient customs, some of which still survive, as the use of the "rousing staff" at Fulham Palace, to wake the servants by rapping on their windows,—the easement of the right to walk and smoke on the roof of the church of St. Olave, Jewry,—and the inquisition of the manor of Sutton, going into such detail as to include "unus cattus senex, et duo juvenes catti." The N. E. Historical and Genealogical REGISTER is several times referred to, and abstracts are taken from the English probate papers which Mr. Waters has been publishing in this magazine the past ten years. *London and Middlesex Gentry in 1673* covers many pages, and may furnish a clue to many American genealogists; the names are arranged alphabetically, and some of them sound very familiar. The most elaborate contribution is *An Account of the Lord Mayors and Sheriffs temp. James I.* These are arranged chronologically, and give a short sketch of the origin and rise of each individual, the names of his wives, usually plural, and children with their marriages, all accompanied with dates and valuable notes. Bound together in this volume are several very interesting genealogical inquiries, and the answers thereto some months later. ‡ ‡ ‡

Contributions of the Old Residents' Historical Association, Lowell, Mass. Vol. V. No. I. Published by the Association, October, 1892. Lowell, Mass.: Morning Mail Print. 1892. 8vo. pp. 164.

Early Grants of Land in the Wilderness North of Merrimack. By GEORGE A. GORDON. Lowell, Mass: Press of the Morning Mail. 1892. 8vo. pp. 47. With an Index.

The Old Residents' Historical Association of Lowell, Massachusetts, was organized December 21, 1868, and has already completed four volumes of its "Contributions." The number before us is the first of a new volume, and contains: 1, Memoir of Hon. Josiah Gardner Abbott, LL.D., by Charles Cowley, LL.D.; 2, Early Settlers of that part of Chelmsford now Lowell, by Henry S. Perham; 3, Early Grants of Land North of the Merrimack, by George A. Gordon; 4, My Schools and Teachers in Lowell Sixty Years Ago, by Varnum Lincoln; 5, Annual Report, by Benjamin Walker, vice president; and 6, St. Luke's Church, Lowell, by James S. Russell. The annual report and the papers were all read before the Association at various dates, and they all contain valuable matter illustrating the history of Lowell and its vicinity.

Mr. Gordon's paper, which was read on the 2d of August last, has been reprinted as a separate pamphlet. The title is given at the head of this article. The New York *Nation*, Dec. 8, 1892, thus speaks of it:

"Few historic monographs are so instructive, and fewer are so readable, as Mr. George A. Gordon's account of land-grants in the wilderness north of Merrimack River in 1659 and onward.

"Lowell, second of Massachusetts cities in 1880, was a centre of these grants, and this paper was recently read there before the Old Residents' Historical Association, all of whom doubtless wished they were descendants of the original grantees. The grants were sometimes made to requite heroism in public service, or in return for money advanced in planting the colony, or in place of salaries, or, once, as an Indian reservation. It is remarkable how many names occur that are still notable, as Winthrop, Saltonstall, Higginson, Gardner, Tyng, Russell, etc. The boundaries were so indefinite as to need perambulations at least annually, thus: 'Laid out to Mr Edward Tyng 250 acres in the wilderness on the northern side of Merrimack River, being bounded and butted by a farm laid out to Mr Russell on the south end; the wilderness elsewhere surrounding according to marked trees. Jona Danforth, Surveyor.' The significance of Indian names is given according to latest authorities. Racy anecdotes abound, so that no dish at dinner can have been more of a dainty than the discourse. One of the grantees was in 1669 a commissioner at Salem to see that no coin was exported, with authority to examine outgoing sailors and passengers, and, if found, to bring the coin to the court for confiscation. His career ought to be studied by our statesmen, who are now laboring so hard to keep gold from running out of the country."

Suffolk Deeds, Lib. VI. Boston: Rockwell & Churchill, City Printers. 1892. 8vo.

By an order approved by the Mayor, Dec. 23, 1890, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston authorized the Register of Deeds "to have printed, stereotyped, indexed and distributed the Sixth Volume of Suffolk Deeds." Acting under this authority Thomas F. Temple, Esq., Register of Deeds, has now published this sixth volume of the records in his office. Persons of skill and experience in reading ancient manuscript have been employed in transcribing the copy for the printer, and in comparing the proof sheets with the original. This volume includes the instruments, principally conveyances of real estate, which were recorded from February, 1668 to October, 1672, and is in the same excellent style and form as the five volumes previously printed. It is furnished with the descriptive index grantor and grantee, with index of other names and of places, which have been made under the supervision of John T. Hassam, Esq. The modern improvements in heating and lighting are believed by experts to be very destructive to the life of the paper on which our ancient records are written, and while with the exercise of constant care they may be preserved from sudden destruction as by fire, yet there seems to be no sure way of protecting them against this less rapid but nevertheless destructive action of these and perhaps other elements of modern convenience and necessity, but the important matter they contain can be perpetuated in print, and this work of printing the more ancient records has not been commenced any too soon. It is very fortunate that

there are public-spirited men who are now earnest in their efforts for the preservation of the matter contained in these valuable old Books of Public Record, and it is fortunate also that the men who have had so much to do with the printing of these records have been men who have thoroughly understood the importance of care and strict accuracy in their reproduction, that the print may be a correct transcript and convey to the reader as nearly as possible the exact idea of the original record.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

MYTHICAL ESTATES IN ENGLAND.—The following article is copied from the *Boston Evening Transcript* of August 29, 1892, too late for insertion in our October number:—

To the Editor of the Boston Transcript: I clip from one of your recent issues the following paragraph, presuming that it came originally from a Providence paper.

"Thomas Booth of Providence has found stowed away in an old trunk belonging to his mother, papers which it is claimed will establish the claim of the Chadwick heirs to the $187,000,000 which have been in the Court of Chancery in England for 125 years. The money was left in 1768 by Sir Andrew Chadwick, who, while a surgeon of dragoons, serving under Marlborough, had the good fortune to stop a pair of runaway horses which had bolted with Queen Anne, who, in recognition of the service, willed him a goodly estate from the Crown lands. As his relatives had not shared his fortune and were never remembered by Sir Andrew in his greatness, there was difficulty in finding his heirs. The fortune passed to the custody of the lord chancellor, and is the estate now managed for the court by the Duke of Bridgewater, who makes £20,000 a year out of the job."

Of course I have not seen the documents in Mr. Booth's possession. But it is a sad fact that for many years Americans have been deluded into spending time, money, and peace of mind more valuable than either, in the vain pursuit of these enormous estates, "waiting heirs," "in the custody of the Lord Chancellor," or the "vaults of the Bank of England," which I believe have proved, one and all, as unattainable as Captain Kidd's buried treasure. The American legation in London has been so persecuted by applications for aid in these researches, that some years ago a circular was issued by the then American minister, copies of which can readily be obtained from the State Department at Washington, showing authoritatively that there are no such sums awaiting the acceptance of unknown claimants and that nothing but loss has resulted from every similar expectation. In the present case, I would point out that there is no Duke of Bridgewater. The last Duke of Bridgewater, the patron of Brinley, died in 1803, and the last Earl of Bridgewater (the originator of the well-known "Bridgewater treatises") in 1829. To conceive that any duke of Bridgewater or anything else, should be employed by the Court of Chancery to manage estates which have been unclaimed for 125 years, having been originally Crown lands willed by Queen Anne, involves more perversion of English law and history than could easily be crowded into so short a compass without effort. HISTORICUS.

Quincy, Aug. 26.

Not long after the above note appeared, the London correspondent of one of our papers, who could not possibly have seen my article, mentioned the case at length; confirming my statement that it was pure delusion, and pointing out, as I had done, the absurdity of introducing the Bridgewater title in 1892. It is to be hoped that the reinsertion of the note in the REGISTER may assist in checking the preposterous pursuit for unclaimed estates which exercises such a baneful influence on many New-England families. In the past year I was consulted as to the possibility of getting evidence of the marriage of a certain lady, because her descendants represented a family which had emigrated from the Orkneys early in the last century, and were entitled to great estates there.

The father of the present Lord Inchiquin, whom everybody in Ireland knows to be the undoubted head of the O'Briens, on succeeding to his title at the death

of Lord Thomond—a succession not in the least contested, and as certain as Queen Victoria's—had to prove to the House of Lords the lawful birth and marriage of every ancestor back to the reign of Queen Elizabeth, when his branch of the O'Briens separated. The expense, for a not over rich man, was very serious, though the matter was one of pure formality, and nothing but a title of honor, involving no estates, was at issue. What it would cost to clinch a score of births at present unknown, in a genealogical chain which would entitle the representative of some early New-England emigrant to "unclaimed" estate—if there ever were such a thing—is beyond the power of Rider Haggard to imagine. WILLIAM EVERETT.

Quincy, 14 December.

LEWIS AND CLARKE'S EXPEDITION OVER THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS.—Dr. Elliott Coues has been actively engaged preparing a new and important edition of Lewis and Clarke's Expedition over the Rocky Mountains in the years 1804, 1805 and 1806, which will be published shortly by Francis P. Harper, New York.

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Dr. Coues is well fitted for this task, having made a specialty of the literature of the Lewis and Clarke Expedition, and has been over the entire ground they explored. This new edition, which will be limited, will entirely supersede all others.

JOURNAL OF SERGEANT JOHN HAWKS, 1748.—Some years ago I found in the MS. Archives of Massachusetts the fragment of a Journal without date, which was wrongly indexed as of 1725, but which I indentified as that kept by Sergt. John Hawks—of Fort Massachusetts farm—on his return from an embassy to Canada to exchange prisoners in 1748. It covers the period from his parting with his French escort at the head of Black River, April 26, to his arrival at Deerfield, April 30, with Samuel Allen one of the exchanged prisoners.

The query is, where is the first part of this Journal? GEORGE SHELDON.

Deerfield, Mass.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Graves.—The Buffalo Historical Society at a late meeting took the following action:

"*Resolved*,—That Gen. John C. Graves be requested to publish, under the auspices of this Society, 'The Genealogical History of the Graves Family in America,' which he, as a member of this Society, has been engaged in compiling for the past twenty years."

This history will be published as soon as the records of late generations have been furnished the compiler, as he has the early history of the family in this country nearly completed.

His address is: Gen. John C. Graves, 32 Merchants Exchange, Buffalo, N. Y. Communications from any member of the family, giving information, are solicited.

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There have been several elaborate genealogies printed, as the Hyde, Strong, Dwight, Wentworth, Whitney, Winslow and Pickering (first part only of this last), but none in so sumptuous a manner as these, or that contain such extended biographies; in fact they are mainly devoted to biography. It is hardly probable that there will be many such works issued, for we are told by the authors that the expenditure has been about $16,000, not including their own time of between seven or eight years (a labor of love), nor the large expenditure of money for obtaining information.

The authors state in their circular, as is so common to the enthusiastic genealogist, that when they began their labors it was intended to prepare a single volume of some two or three hundred pages, which have been multiplied to the number above mentioned.

Lyme, the birthplace of Mrs. Salisbury, is the starting point of her delineations, and embracing so many descendants of that ancient town, as it does, the book is almost a history of the place itself.

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By Harrison Ellery, of Boston.

Transactions of the Royal Historical Society. New Series. Vol. vi. London: Longmans, Green & Co. And New York: 15 East 16th Street. 1892. 8vo. pp. 366+16+7.

The articles comprised in this volume constitute a valuable addition to historical literature. Many of them seem to be of special interest, particularly "The Publication of the Gascon Rolls by the British and French Governments, considered as a New Element in English History" (that great and hitherto almost unexplored labyrinth of parchments, likely, it is thought, to throw great light on the history of the British rule in Aquitaine—covering the period between 1242 and 1460). "The progress of Historical Research during the Session, 1891–92," and the "Presidential Address."

Probably the far-reaching results wrought by this and kindred societies in Great Britain and her colonies and in our own land—and likewise in foreign countries—cannot be estimated. Among the many learned British societies, the Royal Historical Society holds a high position.

It is impossible in a short notice to give an adequate, hardly even a general account, of the rich and varied contents of the book before us. Of the latter paper only will time and space permit of more than passing notice, although all the articles seem to be well deserving of careful study. The address of the President, the Rt. Hon. Sir Mountstuart E. Grant Duff, is in many ways a remarkable one; the matter is excellent, the style is clear and forcible, and there is not wanting a touch of humor to enliven it. I cannot too heartily commend the author's glowing praise of historical studies; in fact this underlies the whole address. Would that a copy of it were accessible in every school-house in the land, to arouse and develop enthusiasm in this helpful (I had almost said the most helpful) branch of learning.

If there were only fewer studies in our preparatory schools, and more freedom given (as would then be possible) in the choice of these studies, according to the special aptitude of each scholar, I feel sure that better results would be attained. And a much larger portion of time should be allowed, to those whose bent lies in this direction, for the study of history. History, considered as a mental discipline only, may be as good or better than the study of the languages, or mathematics, or even law and philosophy.

The author rightly lays stress on the desirability of having competent teachers to direct students in the study of history. How many have been taught to think, how many have had their desire for knowledge stimulated by the enthusiasm and wise direction of their teachers. How largely the personality of the instructors enters into the work of the student.

The author emphasizes the importance of acquiring a knowledge of general history before attempting to make a study of any particular period. Of course, in these days of sub-division in all branches of learning, the most exact work will have to be left to the specialists in each particular field; still, all have not time to become proficient in many branches, and none can well be unless they are first well-grounded in the broad and general outlines, the foundation principles of history. He well says: "Everywhere history, general history, history considered as one great continuous broadening river, should be present and appealed to."

It is pleasant to record that the author refers with warm praise to Dr. Fisher's "Outlines of Universal History," and Dr. Andrews's "Institutes of History," showing an appreciative estimate of the work of our men of letters, and thus doing something to strengthen the bonds between the two countries which are essentially one.

In regard to the controversy as to whether history is a science or not, the writer inclines to the view (and as it seems to me rightly) that it is not. It does not necessarily dignify history to apply to it a name which may be properly given to other departments of learning. I cannot think that so large and comprehensive a subject as history can be adequately measured and gauged by statistics and rules, even if they be numerous and varied. No, it is more than a branch of science; and its range and development are as limitless as the heart and soul of man. The writer says: "Much ink has been expended on the controversy, whether history should be looked upon as a branch of science or as a branch of literature. It is the old story of the shield with the two sides; if we look at history from one point of view, it appears as a succession of problems; if we look at it from another, it appears a pageant, a succession of pictures—sometimes sad, sometimes brilliant. It is, however, from the side on which it looks like a succession of pictures that general history is approached with most advantage."

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In the study of history the imagination is kindled, enthusiasm is stirred, sentiment is aroused, and all the better faculties are brought into action. Hero-worship is not yet dead in the world, and it will never die. There will always be a yearning in the heart of man in his better moments for the true, the beautiful, the good. Who has not felt this influence? And as the learner journeys on in the school of life, he cannot but wistfully turn to the great Hero of history, in whose perfect life all history centres, the Saviour of our souls.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

Arthur Deloraine Corey. 1866–1891. A Memorial. Cambridge. 1892. 12mo. pp. 231.

With mingled interest and sadness we have read, carefully, the pages devoted to an account of the brief career of a promising young man, the only child of his parents, Deloraine-Pendre and Isabella (Holden) Corey, of Malden, Mass., who died in Malden, Aug. 17, 1891, in the 26th year of his age; a beautiful memento of parental affection.

Some account of his noted family connections, student life in this country and Germany, and other particulars to which we would call attention, may be found in the January number of the REGISTER, pages 108, 109; but in the neat and tasty volume before us we have more of the details of that life, his travels abroad, his visiting in the interim of his university studies, and before and after, the distinguished galleries, cathedrals, depositories of paintings, and numerous works of art; perfecting himself in a knowledge of the German language, and adding largely to his stock of information to be obtained only by a thorough study and analysis of the original productions of the old masters, so freely opened to him in those noble institutions there mentioned, in England, Italy, France and Germany, accompanied in many of these places by his beloved father.

Arthur graduated at Harvard College with honors, in 1886; went to Europe in the summer of 1887, and in 1891, after a course of nearly four years study at the Royal Friedrich Wilhelm University, in Berlin, Germany, received the highest literary degree of the institution, that of Doctor of Philosophy. In less than three months after his return home he passed away.

The Rev. Dr. Stuckenberg, Arthur's friend and pastor, in Berlin, writes: "Although his life was short, it was well worth while to live for the exercise of the noble qualities which adorned his soul and made his life beautiful."

Following the "Life," as written by his father, is a memorial sermon by Rev. Nathan H. Harriman, of the First Baptist Church, Malden, with an account of the services; and an extract from a discourse by Rev. Benjamin H. Bailey, of the Unitarian Church, closing with a few poems written by Dr. Corey, found among his papers, chiefly printed as the author left them.

The illustrations are, a portrait taken in 1877, when the subject was about 14 years of age, and another in 1891, the year of his death.

By William B. Trask, A.M., of Dorchester, Mass.

L'Intermédiaire des Chercheurs et Curieux. LUCIEN FAUCOU, Directeur. Paris: Paraissant les 10, 20 et 30 de cleaque mois.

This valuable repository of French "Notes and Queries" has completed its twenty-fifth volume, and entered upon its twenty-sixth. Therewith, it announces the early publication of a complete index of twenty-four volumes, covering sixty thousand titles of questions, queries, letters and documents, otherwise unedited, with comprehensive replies and summaries. This was an immense task, and occupied the attention of the learned staff for two entire years. Its publication will be not only of the greatest service to the scholar and the savant, but will always remain a monument to the large capacity, industry and enterprise of *L'Intermédiaire*. As an encyclopedia, its collection will be most precious, of facts otherwise attainable only after great pains and difficult study.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Records of the Town of Plymouth. Published by Order of the Town. Vol. 2. 1705 to 1743. Boston: Published by W. B. Clarke & Co., 340 Washington St. 8vo. pp. 365.

This volume, like the records of many New England towns, contains much miscellaneous matter. The records of the town-meetings of this period contain little but grants of land, and ascertaining of boundaries. Here, also, are recorded agreements under seal between individuals, the special mark for cattle and sheep of the townsmen, and many strays,—among the last "a Ten Shilling Rhoad Island Bill N° (177)" and "The marks of a Whale struck by Joseph Sachemus Indian at Manument Ponds the 25th of November 1737." Evidently the Plymouth of that time had its Four Hundred, for in the tax-rate of 1707 is the following: "Item for the uper sosiety, 13 shillings." An old English expression, very rare here, is found in 1702, "Ye Beatten Way Thatt Now is to ye Kings Rood yt lies Throughout Lakenham." In 1688, Joseph Bartlet "in consideration of A certain youth Named Nedd and three pounds in money" made over and assigned to Ephraim Morton "A Certain Negro youth being A perpetuall slave whose name is Toney." The preface gives a short biographical sketch of the town clerks of the period, and in this and in the few foot notes, the editor, Mr. William T. Davis, shows his excellent judgment; evidently expecting that the book will be used by persons competent to understand it, and not burying the text under a profusion of quotations. * *

Landmarks in Ancient Dover, New Hampshire. By MARY P. THOMPSON. Complete Edition. Durham, N. H. 1892. Large 8vo. pp. 234.

In this remarkable volume Miss Thompson completes the work begun in her earlier edition, noticed in the REGISTER for April, 1889. The little book of eighty-five pages, and of a limited scope, has been almost entirely re-written, some errors have been corrected, several hundred new localities have been added, and the result is a new work, containing two hundred and eighty-four pages; exhaustive, and most valuable to all those who are interested in ancient Dover. It forms a complete cyclopædia of all the noteworthy localities and landmarks, ancient and modern, in the whole original township of Dover, which included, besides the present city of that name, the towns of Durham, Lee, Madbury, Rollinsford, Somersworth, the greater part of Newington, and parts of Newmarket and Greenland. Besides which, it also embraces many places in Barrington, Nottingham and Rochester. About seven hundred localities are enumerated in alphabetical order; among them being more than sixty old garrison houses.

The information about all these hundreds of hills, rivers, creeks, brooks, swamps, islands, falls, bridges, mills, ponds, etc., has been obtained by the indefatigable authoress, with an amount of labor that only an investigator can appreciate, from the various early town records, from the County records at Exeter, from the New-Hampshire Provincial and State Papers, and from local and family tradition. The book is replete with interesting genealogical and biographical material, and will prove invaluable to any one who wishes to study carefully the early local history, or to interpret old deeds and records relating to the region.

The authoress has succeeded in establishing fully the locations of Canney's Creek and Hogsty Cove,—two ancient landmarks, hitherto of uncertain situation, but historically important, as marking the original boundary line between Portsmouth and Dover; in regard to the latter point, disproving the situation assumed as correct, in the late Charles W. Tuttle's Historical Papers.

The present volume is dedicated to the Dover Historical Society, at whose request it has been prepared. It is illustrated with a map of the region described, and two plans.

Miss Thompson is entitled to the gratitude of all the sons of old Dover for this unique and valuable contribution to the local history, and it is to be wished that other historic towns might find persons competent and willing to do a similar work for them.

By David Greene Haskins, Jr., A.M., of Cambridge.

Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636–1850. First Series. Births, Marriages and Deaths. A Family Register for the People. By JAMES N. ARNOLD, Editor of the "Narragansett Historical Register." Vol. 4. Newport County. Published under the auspices of the General Assembly. Providence: Narragansett Historical Publishing Company. 1893. Large 4to. Price $7.50.

We are pleased to see another volume of this great work, and also to learn that the two remaining counties of the State (Bristol and Washington) will be placed in type during the present year. Mr. Arnold informs us that Newport County (genealogically considered) is the best county in the State, and that the matters treated in this volume are far nearer complete than he expected. Newport, in colonial times, was certainly a place of aristocratic residences, and for more than a century gave law to the State, and had great influence in the affairs of New England. The old cemetery here has scores of tombs bearing coats of arms, and it reminds the visitor more of an old English church-yard than a burial ground in liberty-loving America. The records of this interesting community Mr. Arnold has here presented to the reader's eye. It will please any genealogist to glance over the names, especially one who has an interest in these families. A brief study of the pages here presented will convince the most sceptical of the great amount of patient, careful and laborious research needed to produce such a result; and as we have before remarked, Mr. Arnold deserves well of his State for his labors in her behalf; and now that the work is so nearly finished, we trust he may successfully complete it to his own desire and pleasure.

The preceding volumes of this work are, Kent County (Vol. 1), price $5; Providence County (Vols. 2 and 3), price $10. ‡ ‡ ‡

History of the Town of Canton, Norfolk County, Massachusetts. By DANIEL T. V. HUNTOON. Published by the Town. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1893. 8vo. pp. 666.

This beautiful and well compiled volume is a worthy memorial of the town of Canton. The author did not live to see his work in print, though he left it completed in manuscript. He died in his native town—whose history he here so well commemorates—Dec. 15, 1886, at the age of forty-four. He was an active member of this Society, and a sketch of his life will be found in the REGISTER, vol. 41, pages 328–9. He had rare qualifications for a work like this; and his labors in collecting and arranging his material and in writing out the history extended through many years. Every topic of interest in the history of Canton will be found satisfactorily treated in this work. The accounts of the Punkapoag Indians, the first English settlers, the churches, the schools, the war of the Revolution and its worthies, the salt works, the powder mill, the loyalists and other matters will be read with interest.

The book does credit to the University Press, at which it was printed, and it is well illustrated. A portrait of the author forms the frontispiece, and

other portraits of persons distinguished in the history of the town are given. The book also has views of buildings, memorial tablets, tombstones and other objects of interest, besides several maps. It has a full table of contents and an excellent index.

Southern Historical Society Papers. Vol. XX. Edited by R. A. BROCK, Secretary of the Southern Historical Society. Richmond, Va.: 1892. Pamphlet. 8vo. pp. 405.

In this collection of twenty-eight papers, with an index, is presented much valuable information regarding military operations, 1861–65, not otherwise easily attainable, which it is important to possess. The Southern Historical Society is to be congratulated upon its good fortune in securing the continued competent services of the accomplished gentleman, who, in his post as its secretary, skillfully executes the editorial duties of its publications.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

1642–1892. Legends of Woburn, now First Written and Preserved in Collected Form, with Twenty-three Full-page Plates and Eight Tail-pieces. To which is added a Chrono-indexical History of Woburn. By PARKER LINDALL CONVERSE. Woburn, Mass.: Printed for subscribers only. 1892. 12mo. pp. 177.

Mr. Converse in this volume has given "a ramble in the fields of legendary lore." As he in the preface says, "every country has its national stories, historical and mythical, peculiar to itself; and every hamlet its local ditties, dear to its inhabitants, which, in very many places, have been written and preserved, as they ought to be in all others." These traditions are such as were recounted at the fireside of the fathers. The story-teller of Puritan times has given way to the newspaper reader. Mrs. H. B. Stowe, in "Old Town Folks" and Sam Lawson's "Fireside Tales," has preserved many of the stories of the pioneers of Natick. In this she wrought well. Mr. Converse has likewise rescued a few legends from Woburn's early settlers. There is in every community stories of the Indians, the pat and quaint sayings and characters of its pioneers and leading men. These traditions of the business, social, military and moral life of the locality are often rich, and open to the reader a realism which we cannot get from the pages of statistics and history. The fireside, the village inn, the country-store, belong to the past, and many are the thrilling tales which, if they could be rehearsed to-day, would render true service in picturing the actual life of the fathers and mothers, whose labors we have taken up. This book is finely illustrated by twenty-three full paged plates of homesteads, landscapes and localities of Woburn. The citizens of Woburn are under many obligations to Mr. Converse for this publication illustrative of their early history.

By Rev. Anson Titus, of Natick.

A Family Genealogical Record.—Second Edition. Boston: William B. Clarke & Co., 340 Washington St. 1892. Large 4to. pp. 22. Price $1.25.

This work was first issued in 1885, and was commended by us in October of that year. It consists of a series of blanks for recording the ancestry of any person, and there is room in it for ten generations. The author is Miss Emma F. Ware, of Milton, Mass., the author of the Ware Genealogy, published in 1887 in the REGISTER. She has made several improvements in this second edition. Those who wish to preserve a record of their ancestors in tabular form will find this a convenient book for the purpose. There is sufficient room in the space allotted to each individual to enter the most important facts in his history. We commend it to all such persons.

History of the Old Dutch Church at Totowa, Paterson, New Jersey, 1755–1827. By WILLIAM NELSON. Baptismal Register, 1756–1808. Paterson, N. J.: Press Printing and Publishing Company. 1892. 8vo. pp. 169.

Mr. Nelson, in his "Forewords," says, "From the lips of the 'oldest inhabitant' the writer was wont many years ago to hear much about the Old Dutch Church at Totowa, till in fancy he could picture to himself the quaint square stone building with pyramidal shingle roof, and odd belfry; the box-pews, with doors carefully closed; the queer pulpit perched up at one end, overshadowed by the huge sounding board; the sturdy Dutch folk who with reverential air listened to the Word as expounded by Dominie Marinus, Dominie

Mayer, Dominie Schonmaker or Dominie Ettinge, and at intermissions strolled about the solemn 'God's Acre' where reposed their dead who waited the resurrection unto Life."

With reverent care Mr. Nelson has gathered, in the work before us, the history of the church from the first preaching at Towanda in 1785, and the organization of a church in 1750, to the burning in 1827 of the quaint old church edifice, of which an engraving is given. He has also furnished a full transcript of the church register, which is in the Dutch language. An appendix of historical documents and a full index are given. The author deserves great praise for this contribution to the history and genealogy of New Jersey. Only 200 copies were printed, all for private distribution.

Centennial Year (1792–1892) of the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture. Small 8vo. pp. 146. Printed at the Salem Observer Office. 1892.

This historical sketch of the Society named was issued in paper covers by the trustees last summer, at a date corresponding to that of the organization of the Society. A few volumes have since been issued in cloth binding for libraries, etc. The narrative contains, besides the main facts of the Society's experience during the century, many incidental matters pertaining to the general progress of agriculture in this State, with interesting references to distinguished citizens who have in one or another way been identified with that progress. The book is compiled by Mr. Daniel W. Baker of Boston, and shows his thorough and conscientious research.

Swedish Holsteins in America from 1644 to 1892, comprising many Letters and Biographical matter relating to John Hughes, the "Stamp Officer," and friend of Franklin. With Papers not before published relating to his brother of Revolutionary fame, Colonel Hugh Hughes of New York. The Families of De Haven, Rittenhouse, Clay, Potts, Blakiston, Atlee, Coates, and other descendants of Matthias Holstein, of Wicaco, Philadelphia, are included. Thirty-five family pictures, and fac-similes of letters of Benjamin Franklin and Rev. Nicholas Collin, D.D., are given.* By Mrs. ANNA M. HOLSTEIN, Upper Merion, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Norristown, Pa. 1892. 8vo. pp. 307, including indexes. Price $4.00.

Genealogists inquire for original research, new and valuable. This book meets these requirements. Franklin's remarkable letter, the Hughes family letters and Anthony Wayne's are of general historical interest. The Holsteins, one of the most ancient Swedish-American families, a substantial and respectable race, still survive in the ninth generation near the spot occupied in 1644, perhaps earlier, by their forefathers. The Hughes, De Havens, Hulings (Huguenots, de Hulingues), Clays, Rittenhouses and Potts are names well known in Pennsylvania. The biographical notices of the Hepburns, Pollocks and Rockhills are of those distinguished in various ways, who married descendants. Thirty-eight excellent portraits add to the interest of this well-printed book, with a quaint and curious autograph letter of the Rev. Nicholas Collin, the view of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church, Philadelphia, and the De Haven arms.

Page 252 is a photograph of Benjamin Franklin's letter, Aug. 9, 1765, to his friend John Hughes, the Stamp Officer, of the greatest public interest. Franklin expresses dissatisfaction with the rebellious colonies, advises Mr. Hughes to hold his office, with other details showing his action on this important question. Politically he would have been ruined had this letter appeared in his lifetime. The Sons of Liberty and James Otis received the *ci-devant* Stamp Officer with great courtesy on his visit to Boston in 1769. He was well received in other parts of New England, and in 1771 with special consideration in South Carolina.

This work is badly arranged; the REGISTER's system should have been followed. A more complete index would have been a great addition. * * *

First Annual Report of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania, together with the Several Addresses delivered at the Meeting held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 30, 1892. Philadelphia: Printed for the Society. Sm. 4to. pp. 56.

We are glad to see a new genealogical society taking its place among the learned societies of this country; and we trust that others will soon be formed in the several States of the Union. The first meeting of the projectors of the

* Three were received too late for the title page.

association was held at Philadelphia, at the residence of Mr. Charles R. Hildeburn, on the 13th of February, 1892, and on the 24th of that month this Society was organized by the adoption of a Constitution and By-Laws and by the election of officers.

The neatly printed volume before us, besides the annual report of the directors, contains the annual address of the president, Edward Shippen, M.D., U.S.A., and an address by Mr. Howard M. Jenkins. Appended are lists of the officers and members of the Society. We notice that the Society is making good progress in the collection of manuscript copies of church records in Pennsylvania and adjacent States.

The Starin Family in America, descendants of Nicholas Ster (Starin), one of the Early Settlers of Fort Orange (Albany, N. Y.). By WILLIAM L. STONE. Albany: Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers. 1892. 4to. pp. 233.

The Pedigree of Samuel Whitaker Pennypacker, Henry Clay Pennypacker, Isaac Rusling Pennypacker, James Lane Pennypacker, of Philadelphia, sons of Isaac Anderson Pennypacker and Anna Maria Whitaker. Philadelphia. 1892. Folio, pp. 5, with two large folding genealogical charts. Edition 50 copies.

Genealogical Sketches of Robert and John Hazelton and Some of their Descendants. With Brief Notices of other New-England Families bearing this Name. Compiled by Dr. WILLIAM B. LAPHAM. Portland, Maine: Published by F. H. Hazelton. 1892. 8vo. pp. 367.

Some Memories of James Stokes and Caroline Phelps Stokes. Arranged for their Children and Grandchildren. Printed for the Family. 1892. 12mo. pp. 579. Edition 100 copies.

A History and Genealogy of the Families of Bulloch, Stobo, De Veaux, Irvine, Douglass, Baillie, Lewis, Adams, Glen, Jones, Davis, Hunter; and a Genealogy of branches of the Habersham, King, Stiles, Footman, Newell, Turner, Stewart, Dunwody, Elliott, with mention of the Families of Bryan, Bourke, Williams, Wylly, Woodbridge and many other Families. By JOSEPH G. BULLOCH, M.D. Savannah, Ga.: Braid & Hutton, Printers and Binders. 1892. 8vo. pp. 171.

The Bartletts, Ancestral, Geographical, Biographical, Historical. Comprising an Account of the American Progenitors of the Bartlett Family, with Special Reference to the Descendants of John Bartlett of Weymouth and Cumberland. By THOMAS EDWARD BARTLETT. 8vo. pp. 112.

Ancestry of Joseph Trowbridge Bailey, of Philadelphia, and Catherine Goddard Weaver, of Newport, Rhode Island. By JOSEPH TROWBRIDGE BAILEY. Printed Privately. Philadelphia. 1892. 4to. pp. 54.

Some Descendants of John Moulton and William Moulton, of Hampton, N. H., 1592–1892. Compiled by AUGUSTUS F. MOULTON.

A Genealogy of Several Branches of the Whittemore Family, including the Original Whittemore Family of Hitchin, Hertfordshire, England, and a Brief Lineage of other Branches (Revised Edition). By B. B. WHITTEMORE. Nashua, N. H.: Francis P. Whittemore, Printer. 1893. 8vo. pp. 132.

Materials for a Genealogy of the Scammon Family in Maine. Salem: The Salem Press. 1892. 8vo. pp. 21.

1632–1892. Memorials of Roderick White and his wife Lucy Blakeslie, of Paris Hill, N. Y., with some Account of their American Ancestors, and a Complete Record of their Descendants. By ANDREW G. WHITE. Ithaca, N. Y.: Printed for the Family. 1892. 8vo. pp. 32.

Genealogy of the Brownell Family. 18mo. pp. 64.

James Ayer. In Memoriam. Born October 4, 1815; Died December 31, 1891. Privately Printed. 1892. 4to. pp. 58.

Genealogy of the Dutton Family of Pennsylvania. Preceded by a History of the Family in England from the Time of William the Conqueror to the Year 1669; with an Appendix containing a short account of the Duttons of Connecticut. By GILBERT COPE. West Chester, Pa.: Printed for the Author. 1871. 8vo. pp. 112.

Noyes Genealogy. Record of a Branch of the Descendants of Rev. James Noyes, of Newbury, Mass. Compiled by HORATIO N. NOYES. Cleveland, Ohio. 1889. 8vo. pp. 32.

Sargents from England, first to settle in New England prior to 1690. The First William Sargent, Amesbury, Mass., his Genealogical Record, and many of his Descendants; giving fully that of Moses Sargent, Warren, Vt., and that of all his Descendants. By EDWIN EVERETT SARGENT. St. Johnsbury, Vt. 1893. 12mo. pp. 21.

A Few Facts concerning Roger Wellington and some of his Descendants. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers. 1892. Fcp. 4to. pp. 26.

The Lippincotts of England and America. Edited from the Genealogical Papers of the late James S. Lippincott. 8vo. pp. 43.

Sketch of Rev. Blackleach Barrett and Related Stratford Families. By M. D. RAYMOND. Published by the Fairfield County Historical Society. 12mo. pp. 44+8

History of the Putnam Family in England and America. By EBEN PUTNAM. Part III. Issued only to Subscribers. Salem. August, 1892.

Some Facts concerning the Ancestors and Descendants of Asaph Churchill 1st, of Milton. Compiled by GARDNER ASAPH CHURCHILL. Dorchester, Mass. 1887. 8vo. pp. 18.

History of the Dudley Family. Number VIII. By DEAN DUDLEY. Wakefield, Mass.: Dean Dudley, Publisher. 1893. 8vo. Price $1 a number.

Memorial of the Reunion of the Descendants of Governor Thomas Dudley. Appendix to the History of the Dudley Family. By DEAN DUDLEY. Wakefield, Mass.: Published by the Author. 1892. 8vo. pp. 52. Price 50 cts.

The Sharpes. 8vo. Issued monthly, 4 pages each number.

The Lee Family, relating especially to Samuel Lee, of Watertown, Mass., and some of his Descendants. By O. P. ALLEN. Newport, R. I.: R. H. Tilley. 1893. 8vo. pp. 14.

The Ancestry and Earlier Life of George Washington. By EDWARD D. NEILL, D.D. 8vo. 48 pages.

The Historical Journal of the More Family. Newark, N. J. Vol. I., No. 2. January, 1893. 8vo.

Lucy Keyes, the Lost Child of Wachusett Mountain. By FRANCIS E. BLAKE. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1893. 8vo. pp. 23.

The Weaver Family of New York City. By ISAAC J. GREENWOOD. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 12.

The Pemberton Family. By WALTER K. WATKINS. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1892. 8vo. pp. 9.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of recent genealogical publications.

The first book on our list, the Starin Family, is by William L. Stone, author of the Life and Times of Sir William Johnson, Bart., and other well-known historical, biographical and genealogical works. It is brought out in an elegant style, and is a fine specimen of the typographical work of Joel Munsell's Sons, who are worthy successors of their father. The Starin family is traced to the present time from Nicholas Ster, who was born on the borders of the Zuyder Zee in 1663, and emigrated to New Amsterdam, where he landed in 1696. Soon after the arrival of the immigrant in America, he changed his Dutch surname *Ster* (Star) to the German *Stern*, having the same signification, and a few years later to *Staring* or *Starin;* and these two surnames have been used interchangeably to the present time. Mr. Stone has been successful in obtaining material for his book, which he has arranged in a clear manner. The book has a good index, and is illustrated with fine portraits and other engravings.

The Pennypacker Pedigree is given in large folding charts, in which the ancestors of the persons named on the title page are traced in all lines. They include many historical personages. The work was compiled by Mr. James L. Pennypacker for his brother, Mr. Samuel W. Pennypacker, of Philadelphia.

The next work, the Hazelton genealogy, is compiled by Dr. Lapham, of Augusta, Me., who has had much experience in compiling family and local histories, and is published by Mr. Franklin H. Hazelton, of Portland, Me., to whom the inception of the work is due. The book is well compiled, well indexed and well printed. It is illustrated with fifteen portraits and an engraved coat of arms.

The volume on the Stokes family is gotten up in a very handsome manner, and is illustrated with portraits and other engravings of a high order. It consists chiefly of a well written account of the life of Mrs. Stokes and her husband. An appendix of genealogical matter relating to their ancestry is given. It is compiled by Anna B. Warner for the children of Mr. and Mrs. James Stokes. We wish such family memorials were more frequent.

The Bulloch book contains much interesting matter relating to families from which the author is descended. It makes a handsome volume and is well compiled.

The Bartlett book contains much valuable and interesting matter about the Bartletts, and particularly about the line named in the title page; and the author deserves praise for the creditable manner in which he has performed his work. It is well indexed.

The Bailey and Weaver book is devoted to the ancestors of the persons named in the title. It is well compiled and handsomely printed. It is illustrated with portraits.

The Moulton book is by Mr. Augustus F. Moulton, a lawyer, of Portland, Me., and does credit to his research and taste. It makes a handsome volume, and is well indexed.

The Whittemore book is by the late Bernard Bemis Whittemore, of Nashua, N. H. It contains much valuable matter about the families of this name, which is to be distinguished from that of Whitmore, another early New England family.

The Scammon pamphlet is by Mr. Benjamin N. Goodale, of Saco, Maine. It gives a full record of one line of the Scammons of York County, Maine.

The White pamphlet is by Mr. Andrew C. White, assistant librarian of Cornell University. Roderick White, born 1788, died 1822, was the seventh generation in descent from Elder John White, an early settler of Hartford, Conn.; and his wife, Lucy Blakeslee, was the seventh generation from Thomas Blakeslee, of Branford, Conn. The line of each is clearly traced.

The Brownell book is by Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Spencer, née Atwood, of Ithaca, N. Y., who entitles it "Some of my Ancestors," it being a record of families from which she is descended. It was printed by a boy on his little printing press that would only print a sheet the size of the book. It is creditable to his skill. Mrs. Spencer is to be congratulated on obtaining so full records of her ancestors.

The book on Dr. Ayer, though strictly a biography, contains genealogical matter relating to the Ayer, Mason and Ayres families. It is handsomely printed, and illustrated with portraits and views.

The Dutton Family was printed over twenty years ago, but as it has never before been noticed in the REGISTER, we give its title and commend it to our readers.

The Noyes pamphlet gives one line of the descendants of the Rev. James Noyes, the kinsman and colleague of Rev. Thomas Parker as minister of the First Church of Newbury. It is well compiled and makes a fine pamphlet.

The Sargent book is well described in its title page. We think this is the first genealogy of the Amesbury Sargents printed. The Sargents here preserved settled in Vermont in the last century.

The Wellington book is by Mrs. Adaline W. Griswold, of Belmont, Mass. It contains the will of Roger Wellington, of Watertown, Mass., the emigrant ancestor of this family, and a brief genealogical account of some of his descendants. The book is well compiled and handsomely printed.

The Lippincott pamphlet has been printed from the manuscripts of the late

James S. Lippincott, who spent many years on the work, and had he lived would, no doubt, have produced a fuller work. The matter here preserved shows much research. We hope that the friends who have preserved the manuscript in print will make it the basis of a larger work.

The Burritt book, or a portion of it, was read as a paper by Mr. Raymond, of Tarrytown, N. Y., before the Fairfield County Historical Society at Bridgeport, Conn., Friday evening, Feb. 19, 1892. It is a valuable and interesting paper.

The Putnam Family has reached the third number, and maintains its interest. It does credit to the compiler.

Mr. Churchill, the compiler of the pamphlet on the Churchill family, has been many years collecting material relative to the genealogy of that family. He has selected from his materials a portion relating to the ancestors and descendants of his grandfather, Asaph Churchill, of Milton, and has printed a small edition for his friends. It shows care in its preparation, and is handsomely printed.

Mr. Dudley has issued the eighth number of his valuable History of the Dudley Family. It maintains the interest of the work. He has also issued a report or memorial of the Reunion of the Descendants of Gov. Thomas Dudley, held at the Revere House, Boston, October 25, 1892. It is printed uniform with the History of the Dudley Family, and is illustrated with portraits, etc.

Four numbers of the genealogical periodical, "The Sharpes," namely, those for January, February, March and April, 1893, have been issued. They preserve much interesting matter relative to the Sharpe family.

Mr. Allen, the author of the pamphlet on the Lee family of Watertown, states in his work that the sketch is published to preserve material brought to light after much research, with the hope that some other member of the family will bring the work to completion.

Rev. Dr. Neill's pamphlet on the Ancestry and Early Life of George Washington forms No. II. of the 2d series of the "Macalester College Contributions." It originally appeared in the Pennsylvania Magazine of History for October, 1892, and has been reprinted in pamphlet form. It furnishes new and valuable facts about Washington.

The first number of the Historical Journal of the More family was noticed by us in July last. We are glad to welcome a second number.

The pamphlet on Lucy Keyes preserves many facts about the disappearance of of that child in 1755, but is unable to solve the mystery that surrounds it. It has some genealogical matter leading us to preserve its title here.

The Weaver Family and the Pemberton Family are both reprints from the REGISTER. The Weaver pamphlet is illustrated with portraits of John and Elizabeth (Weaver) Greenwood, and other illustrations.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

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Prepared by Mr. WALTER K. WATKINS, Assistant Librarian.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

The Queen of Egyptology. By William C. Winslow, Ph.D., D.D., LL.D. Reprint. 1892. 8vo. pp. 15.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

SOME NOTES ON SMITH'S HISTORY—ON THE VIRGINIA COMPANY OF LONDON AND THE MANAGERS THEREOF, FOLLOWED BY SOME QUERIES.—In order to show the motive for some questions which I am going to ask, it seems necessary that I should first give some of the reasons why Smith's "Generall Historie of Virginia, New-England and the Summer Isles" should not be accepted, any longer, as the standard authority on the early English colonization of North America; why the managers of The Virginia Company of London and those who came to this country and devoted their lives to planting a Protestant nation "where none before had stood," really deserve our eternal gratitude, and why we have made a grave mistake in judging them, their actions, motives, etc., on such evidence as Smith's.

Capt. John Smith says, that "the wisest living is soonest abused by him that hath a faire tongue and a dissembling heart," and there is much in his books

which appeals to human nature, especially to the fault-finding side thereof, as well as to several of the numerous influences which were then shaping opinions in England. It is evident that his personal narrative could not have been indorsed by other members of the Council in Virginia (1607–1609) or by the managers in England; on the other hand, although we may not know exactly why, or wherefore, or to what extent any one of his positions was indorsed by any one, it is natural to suppose that he was indorsed by members of his own faction, and that his leading position in favor of the first form of government, which was designed by James I., was indorsed by those who regarded the King as a Solomon. It is also reasonable for us to suppose that his history (and other writings) found friends among the Roman Catholics, because it criticised The Virginia Company of London, and conveyed a very narrow-minded idea of the great Protestant movement. And in this connection it must be borne in mind that the only religious oath required of the colonists under the first form of government (1606), *for which Smith contended*, was the new oath of allegiance passed at the second session of the first Parliament of James I., which oath did not necessarily exclude English Catholics from the colony, as there was a difference of opinion among them on the lawfulness of taking it, and some Catholics are said to have gone to Virginia under the first charter. Whereas the charter of 1609, *which Smith protested against*, was much more rigid,—the 29th Article requiring the oath of supremacy to be taken by *every one* going from England to America,—and this virtually excluded all papists from the colony which was planted and established by The Virginia Company of London, as no sincere Catholic could take this oath. These, and other things, furnish ample reason why Catholics should favor his opposition to this company, as, although his objections were on different grounds, they were objections all the same.

But what probably gave Smith's writings their greatest strength, and made them a favorable vehicle for his claims, charges, etc., was the fact that he always praised the country and favored the taking possession thereof. His idea "I liked Virginia well, though not their proceedings," was one which naturally appealed to the more friendly class of critics.

However, opinions are based on various influences, and it is not at all necessary for us to know exactly why, or wherefore, or to what extent, he was indorsed by any one. "The primary end of history is to record truth; impartiality, fidelity and accuracy, are the fundamental qualities of an historian. He must not enter into faction nor give scope to affection." And in order to place a correct estimate on written evidence, it is of the first importance to regard the motives which influenced the writers or compilers. As an old maxim expresses it:

> "In every book regard the writer's end,
> Since none can compass more than they intend."

And what we need to know is: Was it really Smith's end, or motive, to write *a history* of Virginia, New England, etc.? Manifestly it was not. His primary end was *not* to record truth, with impartiality, fidelity and accuracy. It was to make a special plea for himself, the leader of a faction in Virginia, and against others, regardless of the truth; to criticise and disparage the acts of those who had him removed from office, of those who finally established the colony, and to take to himself the credits and honors which rightly belonged to them; to give as much prominence as possible to the experimental period of the first Virginia Company (1607–1609), and to take nearly all the credits therefor to himself; to produce the impression that *he* founded and left a well established colony in Virginia; while the chief object of his very brief account of the definite, determined, and finally successful efforts of The Virginia Company of London, under whose auspices the colony was really established, was to criticise and belittle their proceedings in almost every way. He places in 1607–1609, but "appropriates the deserts to himself," events which really happened at a later period, and events which did not happen in Virginia at all. And a single illustration will be sufficient to show the inaccuracy and the incompleteness of his account of events after 1609. The arrival of the Spanish spies, which really happened *in 1611*, is the only particular event mentioned as having happened in Virginia during *the peculiarly important epoch* in the life of the colony, between June, 1614. and May, 1616—(a period about as long as his own time of freedom in Virginia)—when it was really first beginning to stand on its own feet and becoming to some extent, at least, an established plantation.

More than one half of Smith's "Generall Historie" is taken up with Smith's

descriptions, discourses, orations, digressions, criticisms, etc.; and more than one half of the narrative is devoted to the brief period, 1607–1609.

The account of "The Summer Isles," in which the historian was not personally interested, is the least partisan and most correct. His claims as to New England are just as broad as they are as to South Virginia, and he reflects, occasionally, on the North Virginia Company, saying, "I am not the first they have deceived," etc., and he criticises the Pilgrims quite freely; but his accounts of the South Virginia Companies and colonists are much the more objectionable and incorrect.

The narrative in Smith's publications is of two kinds. *First*, that which we are told was compiled from the writings of others. *Second*, that written avowedly by himself.

The *first* has been relied on as being the evidence of disinterested authors; but some of them were not disinterested, some could not have written what is attributed to them, and several of the tracts from which Smith did compile still remain to show that his compilation is garbled in his own interest and unreliable; that he did not hesitate to insert his own name, or a favorable reference to himself, where there was none in the original, "so that the whole being to be misdoubted in that it is falsified in part, or the true from the untrue not distinguishable." While the narrative, "writ with his own hand,"—and the trustworthiness of his narratives really depends on his own veracity,— shows that his own narrative is frequently misleading, prevaricating or untrue; and that he was not a true man. In the *first* kind, grave charges are brought against others, while in the *second* he ignores others almost entirely, and takes nearly all credit to himself. "When *I* went first to these desperate designs it cost *me* many a forgotten pound to hire men to go." "In this little Ile of Mevis * * [March 27th to April 3rd, 1607] * * *I* have remained a good time together to wood and water and refresh *my* men." Newport was then in command, and Smith was "restrained as a prisoner."

"How first he planted Virginia and was set ashore with about an hundred men in the wilde woods." He was still a prisoner. "Where with some thirty-seaven men and boyes the remainder of an hundred and five [this reference is to Jan. 2, 1608, when he was again a prisoner] against the fury of the salvages, *I* began that plantation now in Virginia; which beginning (here and there) cost *me* neare five yeares worke and more than five hundred pound of *my owne* estate." The auditors credit him with only £9. "*I* would yet begin againe with as small meanes as *I* did at first * * For all their discoveries *I* can yet heare of, are but pigs of *my* owne sowe." "That the most of those faire plantations did spring from the fruites of *my* adventers and discoveries is evident," etc. etc.

For the last fifteen years of his life the burden of his song and the essence of his story was how much he had done, how much he had spent, and how little he had gotten therefor. And "therefore I humbly entreat your Honour," etc. etc.

Smith himself gives quite a fair summary of the idea, or motive, of his publications under "the differences betwixt *my* beginning in Virginia, and the proceedings of *my* successors," in his advertisements for the "unexperienced Planters of New England," etc., pp. 3–7; and his manner of writing is perfectly described by Capt. George Percy in his letter to the Earl of Northumberland.

His story is in no sense *a history*. It is in almost every sense a travesty on the true history of the early English colonization of North America. It does not give an impartial, faithful and accurate account of the charters, companies, councils or colonists; or of the acts or motives of managers, or officials; or of events, either in England or Virginia, at any time. His motive is a selfish one.

The settlement of this country by Protestants was a result of the Reformation, and the movement which led thereto was largely inspired by old Protestant soldiers of the Reformation wars. But the earliest historian, although probably a Protestant, had been an old soldier of the Holy Roman Empire under the uncle of Philip III., of Spain; and he was a free lance in letters as he had been in war. The panegyric poetry under his portrait on his map of New England was written by a Roman Catholic; and every map in his history of colonies which were planted especially "to check the increasing power of the Jesuits in America," is stamped with a coat-of-arms, said to have been granted to the historian by Sigismund Bathori, one of the leading Jesuits in Europe. The work was published under the patronage of a member of the most powerful Roman Catholic family in England, and after the annulling of the Virginia charters in 1624, when there was a very bitter feeling in the hearts of a large party in England towards the members of the first administration of the Virginia Company.

The enterprise was one of the most momentous strokes of national policy in the annals of the world. It was under the supervision of the great English statesmen of that period, and under the careful management of the wonderful men of affairs who were then spreading abroad the interests of Great Britain. But Smith's history gives the prime position to Smith (a mere adventurer), while it ignores or obscures those on whose protection, supervision and management the enterprise and the final success thereof was really depending. And as our earliest history has been based on Smith's story, the importance of this enterprise and the genius of its managers have been overshadowed in the World's history.

But we must turn from the picture painted by Smith and his authors, and look at the facts of the case. The managers of the enterprise during the foundation period, both in England and Virginia, like the managers of all great advance movements "since the world began," had to run the contemporary gauntlet; had to contend with opposition of every kind. They were held responsible for every disaster, whether of human or divine origin; willing ears were open to hear every charge against them, from every source and of every sort; and willing tongues were ready to tell them what they might, could, would or should have done after every misfortune and "defailement." And without any prospect of present profit, they were obliged to look to the future for their reward, and to posterity for their vindication.

In England,—they had to contend with the self-constituted directors in the rear, who always think that they can manage affairs better than those at the front were doing. With differing opinions among *those who favored* the enterprise,—from the first, some protested against so many merchants being among the managers, asserting that such an enterprise should be managed entirely by the gentry, but others contended that the old merchants were the best equipped managers—some wanted more clergymen in the Virginian Councils, but others said that the enterprise was an affair of State, and that Church and State affairs should be kept separate, etc. etc. With *those who objected to* the plantation of Virginia—who said that it was "unjust to take the land from the Indians"—might prove a war with Spain—"the might of our enemies"—the difficulty of settling a plantation there and of keeping possession of the land—failure of former colonial enterprises—"ill reports of the country"—a continual charge and the uncertainty of profit—"this age will see no profit," etc. etc. With the unauthorized publications and writings of critics and fault finders; with "such as lie at home and doe gladly take all occasions to cheere themselves with the prevention of happy successe in any action of publike good, disgracing both the actions and actors of such honourable enterprises as whereof they neither know nor understand the true intents and honest ends;" with secret spies and avowed enemies; with friendly but visionary advisors; with the agents of Spain's corruption fund, and with those purchased therewith; with the opposing religious interests; with the advocates of a form of government designed by "a Salomon indeed," who tried to shift the blame for its failure from its bad form, and "to home it" on their bad management and on the conduct of several of their agents in Virginia; with discharged employees, deserting planters, and members of factions, like those who returned from Virginia with Smith in 1609, and like those mentioned in the 14th and 15th Articles of the Charter of 1612; with dissatisfied and disappointed adventurers who had to be sued for their dues; and with opponents of all sorts, great and small—the "dyvell," the Papists, the Pope, the players, the Spaniard, the traducers of Virginia, etc. etc.

En route.—The colony was located thousand of miles from the base of supplies; the only means of reaching there was by the small sailing craft of those days, and the only natural route thereto was via the trade-winds and ocean currents which passing through the tropics subjected their small craft to tempests, hurricanes and shipwreck,—and the emigrants to "the sickness"; and through the Spanish West Indies made their vessels liable to capture by the Spaniards. "The sickness," "the calentura," "the yellow-fever," bred in the tropics, caused the rate of mortality to be terrible. And as the plague (cholera?) was raging in London during 1603-1611, that infection was also brought, from time to time, into Virginia. Prior to June 25, 1621, "scarce eighty of an hundred of those who left England reached Virginia alive, and many died after landing there."

In Virginia.—The colony was situated in a malarial country to which the English being unacclimated, caused disease and death; the country was filled

with a numerous, savage, cunning and hostile people, who delighted in ambushes, murders and wars; and for the first three years the plantation was hampered by a very bad form of government which bred factions and caused anarchy, "even to their owne ruine."

In Spain.—The country of Virginia was claimed as a part of the Spanish West Indies, on the grounds of prior discovery; donation of the Pope; prior possession, settlement, etc.; and the King and Council of Spain were demanding of the King and Council of England that they should abandon the territory of Spain; placing every diplomatic obstacle and protest in the way, and constantly threatening to remove the colony by force, etc.

These were some of the difficulties, obstacles and troubles which had to be met; some of the true causes of "the defailements," and not those assigned by Smith. Neither were the managers "marplots," or "incompetent," as Smith hasled us to suppose.

All of the great companies for new trades, discoveries and colonization of that period were largely under the same managers. They were human beings, and of course sometimes erred; but their errors were corrected as soon as found out, the causes and causers of faction and dissention were promptly removed, and the "manifold difficulties, crosses and disasters, appointed by the highest providence," were met "with a constant and patient resolution." It is true that no great battles had to be fought. Our battle of Armageddon had been fought in the days of Queen Elizabeth; but this nation was planted in the name of The Prince of Peace, and the struggle which ended in success was rightly waged on the peaceful plane of diplomacy, and the managers thereof are all the more to be commended therefor. They did not give way under the troubles in England, the disasters *en route* and in Virginia, nor to the demands of Spain. God's secret purpose to uphold the enterprise was so strongly fixed in the inspired minds and undaunted spirits of the constant Adventurers, who met around the Virginia Council Board at Sir Thomas Smythe's house in Philpot Lane, London, that they were never discouraged and never ceased to yield "their purses, credit and counsell, from time to time, to make new supplies, even beyond their proportion, to uphold the Plantation."

The Huguenots, the English, and Dutch Protestants had, from time to time, attempted to settlei n America, and there were fishing stations in Newfoundland and south of 45° north latitude along the present New-England coast; but when this movement began in England no Protestant nation really held any lot or portion whatever in the New World. And these men were not merely upholding the plantation on the banks of James River,—the contest was really between England, backed by the Netherlands and the Protestant interests, and Spain, backed by the Bulls of Rome,—and these men, under the support of the Crown of England and under the supervision of some of her greatest statesmen, were securing the first firm hold for a Protestant nation on "a lot or portion in the New World;" they were clearing the way and making possible all that has come after them; they were planting an English nation where none before had stood; and the English-speaking people, all Protestants, and the citizens of both North and South Virginia, still owe them a debt of gratitude, which they have as yet made no attempt to pay.

It was a great work, in the prosecution of which great difficulties had to be met and overcome in England, in Spain, *en route* and in America—by land and by sea—and the true history therof is really grand. It was managed, and finally accomplished, by great men, with great labor and responsibility, and at great expense. It was regarded by them "as an action concerning God, and the advancement of religion, the present ease, future honor and safety of the Kingdom, the strength of the Navy, the visible hope of a great and rich trade, and many secret blessings not yet discovered." In one of their darkest hours (December, 1609) they prayed "unto that mercifull and tender God, who is both easie and glad to be intreated, that it would please him to blesse and water these feeble beginnings, and that as he is wonderfull in all his works, so to nourish this graine of seed, that it may spread untill all people of the earth admire the greatnesse and seeke the shades and fruite thereof;" and it has pleased God to answer their prayer. This nation traces back to this movement. "All people of the earth admire our greatness;" and yet our knowledge of these men and of their work has been derived almost entirely from the evidence of their opponents or critics. "Necessity which knows no law" lies at the bottom of this great injustice,—for many years there was really no other evidence avail-

able to us regarding "the infancy of our State"; but there is no longer any necessity, and therefore no apology, for continuing to judge these men and their actions on such evidence.

The publications of Capt. John Smith furnish good evidence as to some of the controversies, trials, criticisms, etc., with which those on whom the success of the enterprise was depending had to contend; but they do not furnish impartial, faithful, or accurate evidence for Smith or against others. There is nothing to justify us in reflecting on the characters or motives of those "undaunted spirits," who established the first English Protestant colony in North America, on any unfriendly partisan evidence whatever. And it is manifest that the acceptation of Smith's "Generall Historie of Virginia, New-England and the Summer Isles," as the standard authority on the early English colonization of North America—as the history of this great Protestant movement—has put a stigma on the men and motives of our first foundation, which is a reflection on the English-speaking people and Protestant religion, as well as on the patriotism and intelligence of those who are now enjoying "the shades and the fruite" produced by the "graine of seed" which our founders planted.

We are preparing to celebrate the discovery by Columbus on which the claims of Spain were based; but there is not a memorial in these United States to those men who, "for the advancement of God's glory and for the good of their country," devoted their time, their talents, and their lives to the first establishment of the English race and religion on American soil. Even the graves of those who died in Virginia are unmarked and, indeed, unknowh. And Jamestown, which should be the Protestant Mecca of America, where the first firm hold was taken on a lot or portion in the New World for a Protestant nation, has crumbled to decay, and the sacred dust of the martyrs of our genesis is being swept out to the sea by every falling tide. But "for a less service than theirs men have been deemed gods by the ancients, and canonized by the church of Rome"; and Protestants will "prejudice themselves and the truth" if they continue to be unjust to the advancers of their standard, and to the martyrs of their cause; if they continue to condemn them, their characters, acts and motives on any unfriendly partisan evidence whatever, or without full consideration of their side of the case.

I do not mean to insinuate that we should not celebrate the discovery of Columbus, because it seems to me eminently proper for us to do so; but I do mean to say, that, while this is going on, we ought not to lose sight of the discovery by Cabot, on which the claims of England were based; that we should not forget those who secured the first lot or portion in the New World for a Protestant nation, and that it is the duty of the Protestants to cherish at all times—and never more so than now—their own historic interests and incidents.

Those who were managing the enterprise in England are now comparatively well known; but we ought to know more than we do of those who came to North and to South Virginia prior to 1620, and I will be especially grateful for any recently-found-out item of interest relative to any of them. I have a great deal about a good many of them; but the men who really established the first English colony in America were men of action, and not of words; they were not "paper tigers"; they were not "mere verbal projectors"; they were not "given to bookemakeing"; it was not necessary to tell them that they "writ too much and did too little"; they left little or nothing in print concerning themselves, and we may never be able to find much that we ought to know about many of them; but I believe it to be our duty to make every effort.

I am especially anxious to know the parentage, date of birth, something of the family history, any item of especial interest, etc. etc., of the following:—

Captains Ellis Best, Gome Carew and Edward Harley of the first Council (1607–1608) in North Virginia.

Rev. Richard Seymour.

Master Richard Vines of North Virginia.

Captains James and Robert Davis, or Davies, of both North and South Virginia.

Captain Gabriel Archer, who wrote one of the first descriptions in English of North and, also, of South Virginia.

Captains Christopher Newport, Bartholomew Gosnold and John Ratcliffe, commanders of the first expedition sent to Virginia by the first Virginia Company; Edward Maria Wingfield, the first President of the Council; George

Kendall, Matthew Scrivener, Richard Waldo, John Martin (the only man to protest against the abandonment of Virginia on the memorable morning of June 7, 1610), Peter Wynne (to whom the first commission as Lieut.-Governor of Virginia was sent), and Francis West (afterwards Admiral of New England) of the first Council (1607–1609) in South Virginia.

Captains Isaac Madison, Nathaniel Powell and Robert Tyndall, the first surveyors of Virginia. A *complete* list of the surveyors prior to 1620 is also wanted.

Master, or Captain William White, who wrote one of the first descriptions of Virginia.

Captain Samuel Argall, who was sent out in 1609 to find a new route to Virginia,—not an unauthorized trading voyage, as Smith says. He did not "bring New England to light" as Smith asserts that he (Smith) did; but he removed "a cloud that was settling on the land" in 1613.

Sir Thomas Gates, the first Governor of Virginia (May, 1609); Sir George Somers, the first Admiral (May, 1609); Thomas West, Lord De La Warr, the first Lord Governor and Captain General (February, 1610);—one of his ancestors was the hero of romance, "Guy of Warwick," who having fought in the East and having done wonderful things for his lady love, retired to a cell in the woods of Arden and lived the life of a hermit. Another ancestor, Richard de Beauchamp (1382–1439), 5th Earl of Warwick, fought three French Knights, the one after the other, on three successive days, and overcame each of them (Sir Rob't Cotton's MSS. Julius, E. iv.);—Sir Ferdinando Wenman (B.A. Balliol College, Oxford, 10 April, 1592, who came to Virginia in 1610, as Master of the Ordnance, not as "Generall of the Horse," as Smith says); when and where was he knighted? Sir Thomas Dale, the first High Marshall (February, 1611). It will be noted that the Smith references to these officers (Oxford Tract, p. 93, and "Generall Historie," p. 89) are misleading and incorrect as to dates of appointment, and as to facts.

Captain Daniel Tucker, who was taken as a prisoner to Bordeaux by a Spanish vessel in January, 1607, and who placed his claims in the hands of the lawyers there, etc., an account of which was sent by Sir Thomas Edmonds from Paris on Dec. 30, 1614, to Secretary Winwood.—(Smith tells us of somewhat similar adventurers to himself in 1615), and *Captains* George Sharpe, George Webb, —— Smalley, Samuel Macock, Abraham Percy, William Pierce, Roger Smith, Edward Berkeley, Edward Brewster, Thomas Holecroft, Wm. West and Thomas Lawson; *Lieutenants* Wm. Cradock and —— Puttock; and *Ensigns* Anthony Scott, —— Harrison, —— Waller, and —— Powell (who killed the King of Paspahegh, after trying in vain to take him alive, near the old block house, on Feb. 9, 1611), of the first commanders in Virginia. A complete list of the Commanders is, also, wanted.

Reverends Richard Buck, —— Glover, Robert Hunt, George Keith, William Mays or Mease, Robert Pawlett, —— Poole, John Proctor and William Wickham.

Doctors Anthony Bagnall, Lawrence Bohun, Robert Pawlett, Walter Russell and Thomas Wooton.

Lawyers Gabriel Archer, John Martin, George Percy (Middle Temple, 1597), William Strachey and, possibly, Sir Thomas Gates, were "educated to the law." A complete list of Ministers, Doctors and Lawyers, prior to 1620, is wanted.

John Twine, first clerk; Thomas Pierse, first sergeant-at-arms; John Pory, first speaker, and the first Burgesses in our first General Assembly, convented at James City in Virginia, August 9th (present style), 1619, namely:—Mr. John Boys, William Capps, Mr. Thomas Davis, Thomas Dowse, Lieutenant Gibbes, Mr. Edward Gourgaing, Capt. Thomas Graves, John Jackson, Mr. John Jefferson, Samuel Jordan, Capt. Christopher Lawne, Mr. Thomas Pawlett, John Polentine, Capt. William Powell, Ensign Edmund Rossingham, Samuel Sharpe, Mr. Walter Shelley, Ensign Wm. Spence, Mr. Robert Stacy, Capt. Wm. Tucker, Capt. John Ward and Ensign Washer.

I would, also, like to know more than I do of *Captains* Adams, Bingley, Challons, Dermer, Elfrith, Fitch, Hobson, Hudson, Hunt, King, Moone, Nelson, Pett, Poole, Powell, Pring, Rocroft or Stalling, Turner, Webb, Wood, and other commanders of exploring and colonizing vessels during 1606–1619. And of very many others, whose names even are now unknown. For instance: who were the members of the advisory Council in Virginia from 1611 to 1619, inclusive?

Norwood P. O., Nelson County, Virginia. ALEXANDER BROWN.

THE SHAKESPEARE WILLS.—In the New England Historical and Genealogical REGISTER for October, we find several wills of more than ordinary interest. The wills of the Shakespeare family, of Thomas Nash and Elizabeth Barnard, have been several times printed, but attention should be directed to one or two points.

It will be observed that Dr. John Hall made no attempt to dispose of "New Place." It is not mentioned in his will, and was not his to dispose of. It was left to his wife, as security for her fulfilling some special obligation.

But Thomas Nash, who married Dr. Hall's daughter, seems to have lost sight of this interest, for he coolly leaves "New Place" to his kinsman Edward Nash, with some other items of the Shakespeare property.

His widow, however, carried the matter into court, and the court sustained her claim to William Shakespeare's bequest. I cannot at this moment give the necessary references, but by turning to page 428 of the October REGISTER, any one can see, that after her second marriage, Dame Barnard, who had been Mrs. Nash, was still in possession of "New Place," and in her will ordered it sold, and the money to be given to the said Edward Nash, in pursuance of a promise probably made before the court.

The manuscripts alluded to in Dr. John Hall's will were probably medical manuscripts.

Some of these, written in Latin, were obtained from his wife by a surgeon named James Cooke, who was attached apparently to a regiment stationed at Stratford-bridge. He was invited to New Place by Mrs. Hall in 1642, to look at Dr. Hall's books. After a general survey, she brought out some medical books that she wished to sell. Two of these proved to be medical MSS. prepared for the press, in Latin, by Dr. Hall himself.

One of these Cooke translated and published in 1657. The family of Shakespeare and Dr. Hall himself entertained the Puritan preachers of the time, and would not have been likely to take interest in Shakespeare's Plays. It seems singular that it has to be so often repeated that Shakespeare's manuscripts were not his own property. After he retired to New Place, he is said to have received £1000 a year from the theatres, and of course this was for plays, original or adapted. Of none of these, nor of those already known, could he have owned a copy. The manuscripts belonged to those who bought them, and as they must have been copied hundreds of times, it is not likely that any one was in existence, in his own handwriting, when the folio was published.

It is not impossible that manuscripts of his sonnets may yet be found, scattered like autographs, in hidden scrap-books. Shakespeare valued his poems. His plays do not seem to have interested him as much. He was obliged to conform to the demands of the theatres; he often adapted very poor, but popular plays, and hardly realized the outbursts of poetic power, that forced themselves to the point of his pen. He hated to make himself a "motley to the view" and to sell "cheap what was most dear."

> "Your monument shall be my gentle verse
> Which eyes not yet created shall o'er read,"

he writes in a sonnet, secure of his future fame; and then, in the very next:—

> "Oh for my sake do you with fortune chide
> The guilty goddess of my harmful deeds,
> That did not better for my life provide
> Than public means, which public manners breeds.
> And almost thence my nature is subdued
> To what it works in—like the dyer's hand:
> Pity me then, and wish I were renewed!"

This last quotation shows plainly that his true love was poetry, and that he could hardly forgive himself for forsaking her (as he thought) to get his daily bread by writing plays.

CAROLINE H. DALL.

Washington, D. C.

ROBERT A. BROCK, *of Richmond, Va.*—We learn that the friends of this gentleman—the efficient secretary of the Southern Historical Society, who did such good service for historical literature while he was corresponding secretary and librarian of the Virginia Historical Society—are making an effort to secure his services as the editor of the Virginia *Calendar of State Papers*, for

which his historical knowledge and literary ability so well qualify him. We have already given our opinion of the value of his services to the Virginia Historical Society for sixteen years, in a note printed in the REGISTER for October, 1891, vol. 45, page 319. The work of reorganizing and enlarging the sphere of the Virginia Historical Society, commenced by the lamented Col. Thomas H. Wynne, was successfully carried forward by Mr. Brock. The executive committee of that Society, at a meeting held on the 4th of February last, voted that,

"In view of the long and valued labors in behalf of this Society of Mr. R. A. Brock, its late secretary, the executive committee deem it proper to put on record some recognition of his distinguished services.

"Mr. Brock became secretary April 12, 1875. From that time he has devoted himself with singular enthusiasm and prodigious labor to the work of the Society. This he has done upon a salary, which, although as large as the means of the Society warranted, was altogether disportionate to the work performed; and it is hardly too much to say that his useful exertions during this long period have in effect preserved the life of the organization."

The loss of Mr. Brock's services is a serious one for the Virginia Historical Society, but if the commonwealth of Virginia can secure them we shall not regret it. The profound knowledge of the history of Virginia which Mr. Brock possesses admirably fits him for the position which his friends wish him to occupy, and we hope and trust that their efforts will be successful. He would be able to utilize much valuable illustrative matter which he has been many years collecting.

In addition to his historical knowledge, Mr. Brock's acquaintance with the genealogy of Virginia families is probably superior to that of any other person living, and those who wish to have genealogical investigations made in that State have now a rare opportunity to secure the services of an accomplished genealogist. His address is at the Southern Historical Society's rooms, Richmond, Va.

HISTORY OF THE BOSTON POST OFFICE.—C. W. Ernst, Esq., the Assistant Postmaster of the Boston Post Office, contributes a history of this office to the Souvenir printed for the Special Delivery Messengers in February last, and also a history of the Special Delivery Service. Both contain valuable historical matter. The history of the Post Office in this city has been compiled with great labor, and furnishes a succinct account of the office from the appointment of Richard Fairbanks as postmaster in 1639 to the administration of Thomas N. Hart.

Mr. Ernst has also compiled lists of the Postmasters at Boston from 1639 to 1893; of the Assistant Postmasters; the Cashiers, and the Superintendents of Delivery; for type-written copies of which we are indebted to him. He has given perfect lists of these officials, with the date of appointment, the terms and close of their services, as far as could be obtained. The public are indebted to him for the first complete list of the Postmasters of Boston.

MAINE FAMILIES.—Persons wishing for records of old families of Buxton, Hollis, Limington, Standish, Baldwin, Denmark or Brownfield, can find the births, marriages and deaths, as copied from the town records, arranged alphabetically in the hands of Rev. G. T. Ridlon, Sr., who is making a careful copy of the same.

Kezar Falls, Me. REV. G. T. RIDLON, SR.

WATERTOWN RECORDS.—The printed copies of the first volume of the early records of Watertown, Mass., comprising the First and Second Books of the Town and Selectmen Records; the First Book and Supplement of Births, Marriages and Deaths; the Lands, Grants and Possessions, and the Proprietors' Records, will be published within a few months.

HANNAY'S HISTORY OF THE LOYALISTS.—James Hannay, the author of the "History of Acadia," has commenced with the new year a "History of the Loyalists" in "The Weekly Telegraph," St. John, N. B. ($1 a year). The facts which he has obtained for this work may be of value to your readers.

BENJ. RAND.

HERALDIC NOTES.—Mr. Arthur Vicars, F.S.A., has been appointed Ulster King of Arms in place of the late Sir Bernard Burke; and Mr. Everard Green, F.S.A., has been appointed Rouge Dragon Pursuivant of Arms in place of the late Mr. Woods, who was a grandson of Sir Albert Woods, Garter. J. P. R.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Barnard.—Frank B. King, of Albany, N. Y., is also preparing a genealogy of the Barnard family. It is his intention to carry down the female lines for two generations in both families. Information is solicited.

Bartol.—Charles E. Banks, M.D., U. S. Marine Hospital, Portland, Me., is about to publish in book form a genealogy of the Bartol Family of Marblehead, Mass., and Freeport, Me., being the descendands of John Bartol and Parnell Hodder his wife, who emigrated to this country from Crewkerne, Somersetshire, about 1638, and settled at Marblehead. He was the son of John and Agnes (Williams) Bartol, a glover of Crewkerne. Any information about the family or its descendants now living will be gladly received and incorporated in the volume. It will probably be distributed gratuitously to members of the family.

Dodge.—A Genealogy of the Dodge Family of Essex County, Mass., is being prepared by Hon. Joseph T. Dodge, Ph.D., 346 Washington Avenue, Madison, Wis. An introductory article on the subject appeared in the October number of the REGISTER. Circulars soliciting information and subscriptions are issued.

Everett.—The history of this family is being collected; and any information relating to the same will be thankfully received by Mr. Edward F. Everett, Post Office Box 1423, Boston, Massachusetts.

Hoadley.—A book on the descendants of William Hoadley of Branford, Conn., is in preparation by Francis B. Trowbridge, Esq., author of the Champions Genealogy.

Lawrence, Buckley and other families.—The Rev. Lawrence Buckley Thomas of Lawrenceville, Tioga County, Pa., contemplates an enlarged reprint of his genealogical notes of 1877 and 1878, and pedigrees and notes of 1883, long out of print and very scarce. He would be glad to receive corrections or additions to the pedigrees at an early date. The principal families noticed are Brooke, Buckley, Chew, Ellicott, Fairfax, Hopkins (of Maryland), Lawrence (of Long Island), Rutherfurd, Schieffelin, Snowden, Thomas and Wethered. He will print in one volume, at $5.00, if sufficient subscribers are received.

Steele.—Frank Barnard King, No. 95 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York, has for several years been preparing a revised and enlarged record of the descendands of "Mr. John Steel," the first secretary of the Connecticut Colony, 1636–1639, and also of his brother, George Steele.

Upton.—Hon. William H. Upton, F.R.S.A., of Walla Walla, Washington, has nearly ready for delivery his "Upton Family Records." For reasons which he will explain in his preface he was obliged to print his book in England, and limit his edition to one hundred copies, of which only seventy will be sold. The book will contain more than five hundred very large pages, will be handsomely printed, with broad margin, and will be neatly and substantially bound. The original subscription price was Twelve Dollars, but the price was raised on the first of March to Fifteen Dollars. Address W. H. Upton, Walla Walla, Washington, to whom remittances should be made payable.

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The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut; including East Windsor, South Windsor, Bloomfield, Windsor Locks and Ellington. By HENRY R. STILES, A.M., M.D. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1893. Two volumes, royal 8vo.; Vol. I., pp. 950; Vol. II., pp. 867. Price, $20.00. To be obtained of Miss Ruth T. Sperry, East Windsor Hill, Ct., to whom correspondence should be addressed as the author is absent from the United States.

Of these two volumes the first contains the history, and the second the genealogies, of the ancient town of Windsor. The two are an enlargement and revision of the History of Windsor by the same author, issued in 1859, and a genealogical supplement, published in 1863. The genealogical record then presented comprised 334 pages; it is now expanded to 867 pages. This fact, as remarked by the author in the preface to Vol. 2, certifies to a notable increase of interest in this branch of inquiry, on the part of readers, within the period indicated. He says, "In 1859 but two town genealogies of considerable magnitude had been published, Bond's of Watertown, Mass., and Cothren's of Woodbury, Conn. At that time I found but few who sufficiently appreciated the nature and value of my labors to assist in perfecting them. In the preparation of my present edition I have almost suffered from a plethora of material. Since the issue of the original History more than thirty genealogies of original Windsor families, some of them being works of great extent and value, have appeared, and fully as large a number are now in active preparation. From these, both in print and in manuscript, this revision has received much incidental help." It may be predicted, accordingly, that the two volumes now issued will have a substantially equal interest to readers identified by ancestry or residence with the town.

The field, both as respects territory and the number of topics touched upon or

elaborated, is considerably larger in the present than it was in the original History. The towns on the east side of the Connecticut river which have been cut out from the original Windsor township, viz., East Windsor, South Windsor and Ellington, are here more amply discoursed upon. The same remark is applicable to the modern towns of Windsor Locks and Bloomfield, on the west side of the river, which have been in like manner set off, while, as to old Windsor Centre itself, whatever the zealous study of thirty years has brought to light has been made available for expansion, correction or more perspicuous restatement. The call for a new edition had its origin in part from what that study has yielded of truth and fact, old indeed in one sense, but new in another, and vital to the purposes of the historian. Moreover, the original volume has long been out of print, and a new generation of would-be readers has grown up. The new work has accordingly been published upon the commercial basis of a given number of copies subscribed for in advance, and was thus assured of a welcome before its arrival. Others, outnumbering the list of subscribers, however long that may be, stand ready to take off their hats in salutation as it shall appear before them.

The work appeals primarily, of course, to such readers as are identified by ancestry or residence with the place. But it is Windsor's good fortune in New England history to be among those marked as extraordinary and not in the roll of common towns, making its record to be one of special interest to readers without the border. It was settled in 1635 by Massachusetts men, and was recognized for a time as being within the jurisdiction of that colony. A party of Plymouth colony men had already established themselves there when the Massachusetts explorers arrived. A controversy ensued, in which the magistrates of the two colonies eventually took part, and thereupon was "much ado," as the History minutely relates. Simultaneously with the appearance of the Massachusetts men arrived the advance guard of other claimants of the territory, certain "lords and gentlemen" of England, who would fain have ousted both parties. Besides these was a party of Dutch traders, who claimed for their principals everything thereabouts within an eagle's sight, if not within an eagle's flight. The issue of it all was that the Massachusetts men (who were chiefly from Dorchester) acquired by occupation and by purchase, partly from the Plymouth people and partly from the Indians, all the desired territory, excepting about 43 acres, which lot was reserved by Plymouth and sold to a Hartford man, under whose title it came into the jurisdiction of Windsor. The English lords and the Dutch were otherwise disposed of as the narrative shows. The possessors called their settlement at first, "Dorchester," but in 1637 the authorities of Connecticut changed the name to Windsor, "undoubtedly," as the History says, "in honor of Windsor, the royal abode of the English sovereigns." Although it is a mooted point, the History gives Windsor rank as the first settlement on the river, relying partly, and perhaps chiefly, on the nearly contemporary manuscript of Samuel Maverick, recently discovered by Mr. H. F. Waters in England, and communicated to the REGISTER for January, 1885.

Considerable discussion has been had in Massachusetts at various times by historians and others as to Windsor affairs of early date, the questions in brief being: Did the Dorchester people behave well or ill towards the Plymouth people, in taking possession of lands on the Connecticut river? Did the Dorchester church, as an institution, go to Connecticut, so that for some months Dorchester in Massachusetts had no church? The facts and documentary evidence discovered down to date, or all which are of importance, bearing on these questions, are in detail or in substance set forth in the History, with candor and frankness, so that it seems not too much to say that each case is here adequately made up, leaving free scope for the "consensus of opinion" by its slow methods to pass final judgment. A full consideration of the church question requires, however, that the preface to the printed volume of Dorchester First Church records be read.

It would be impossible to give within reasonable space a proper synopsis of the History. In one view it is not a book but a library of books, treating upon diverse though correlated subjects. Something appears of the ecclesiastical history of the original and each of the later parishes of the old town; of Windsor's action in the Indian wars, especially that with the Pequods, the French war, the war of the Revolution, that of 1812, the Mexican war and the Civil war, with very full lists of the soldiers in several instances; something con-

cerning the public schools of different periods, of business growths and prosperities, of topography, of the notable men of the several generations, of times and manners as illustrated by anecdotes, and of the lore of epitaphs.

Every page gives evidence that diligence and enthusiasm have attended the preparation of the work. Dr. Stiles is the author, but he has had numerous helpers, to whom, severally, in his preface, he makes due acknowledgement. To the principal and eldest of these he pays this graceful tribute: "I esteem it a most fortunate circumstance that the same kindly Providence which has spared my life and health, so that I might, at this time, revise and perfect the work of my youthful years, has also spared that of my venerable and beloved friend, Mr. Jabez H. Hayden, of Windsor Locks, Conn., to whom was due so much of the value of the first edition. Nature certainly designed him as the historian of his native town, but the multiplicity of his business cares, conjoined with his modesty, has prevented him from forestalling me, as by right he should have done, in this historical work. I have only to thank him for the help which he has rendered, as earnestly and freely to this revision, as he did to the original work." Elsewhere the author refers to Mr. Hayden as "the highest living authority on Windsor historical matters." All this being so, it sufficiently attests Dr. Stiles's skill and fidelity that Mr. Hayden preferred to let things begin and proceed as they have done. It will be a hypercritical reader who will express anything less than satisfaction and praise for the work as it comes from Dr. Stiles's hand. The first volume contains 42 illustrations, views, portraits, maps, etc., and 25 fac-simile autographs; the second has 61 like illustrations, one fac-simile military commission.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

An Account of the Celebration of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Second Society of Universalists, December 18, 1892; also of The Proceedings of the Parish Social Banquet, Jan. 26, 1893. Boston Universalist Publishing House. 1893. 8vo., pp. 129.

This volume, printed at the University Press, is a creditable book in every particular. Paper and type are agreeable to the eye, and the contents are interesting and have decided historic value. The occasions of which it is the record were evidently arranged in a thoughtful and thorough manner, with a realization of their importance and significance.

The morning service of December 18th was given to an historical sermon by A. A. Miner, D.D., who for forty-four years had been pastor. It is a remarkable fact, that the entire period of seventy-five years is practically covered by two pastorates: Hosea Ballou being pastor from 1817 to 1852, and A. A. Miner, D.D., from 1848 to 1892. There were indeed two attempts to find colleagues for Hosea Ballou, neither of which resulted in fixed and permanent relations; it is true also that E. H. Chapin, D.D., the eloquent orator who for so many years made his pulpit in New York a centre of influence and power, was for two years associate pastor; but he resigned to enter upon his New York settlement, while Hosea Ballou lived and retained his connection with the parish. Dr. Miner's settlement, therefore, laps over that of Hosea Ballou, and the two settlements fill out the seventy-five years, a fact creditable alike to pastors and people. This fact gives the sermon a special interest and importance: for it makes it the personal record of one whose life largely entered into the period of which he is historian.

The second service supplemented the sermon with three essays:—

First,—An Estimate of Hosea Ballou, by Rev. O. Cone, D.D., President of Buctel College.

Second,—Review of seventy-five years, by I. M. Atwood, D.D., President of the Theological School, Canton, N. Y.

Third,—Present Opportunity, by Rev. C. H. Leonard, D.D., Dean of Tufts College Divinity School.

Dr. Cone's estimate of Hosea Ballou is marked by thoroughness of investigation, judicial discrimination and accuracy of statement. It is cool, dispassionate and authoritative, and will take high rank as an historical and biographical study. Dr. Atwood's writing has a distinct literary flavor and a bright and sparkling quality, which in less serious vein would amuse by its wit, but which, with the proper restraint which the Doctor generally observes, is effective, entertaining, while at the same time instructive. Dr. Leonard's essay is fine in spirit, apostolic in tone, and full of that wisdom which comes from

long experience as pastor and teacher. In construction it is a model of conciseness and logical sequence. It could be studied with profit by every society in the Protestant church, without regard to sect.

The social banquet which completed the celebration added a series of seven addresses, excellent in presentation of parish affairs and duties, but with the exception of the response for Hosea Ballou by his grandson, they had to do with the present and the future.

It will be seen that the interest of the anniversary centres largely in the work and influence of the first pastor; and that in the series of services we have three different estimates of his character and life labors,—the first by his associate, Dr. Miner, who gives us the historical facts; the second by his grandson, who opens to us the loving and personal estimate of a daughter; and the third, the judgment of an historian, who, three generations removed, has as a student investigated the environment of the man, analyzed his record, and established his standing and influence.

When the history of New-England theology is impartially written, Hosea Ballou will occupy a prominent position as an influence and power in its reconstruction.

One hundred years ago the sombre creed of John Calvin dominated this region. Under its shadow Ballou was born; his father a poor country parson who accepted and preached its terrors. Hosea Ballou had hardly arrived at manhood when his study of the Bible opened to him a milder and gentler faith. God, in place of a stern judge, became to him a loving father, and soon he realized the necessary conclusion that the absolute rule of a good God must necessarily result in the salvation of all his children. Full of enthusiasm and faith, he boldly attacked the foundations of orthodoxy, challenging its premises and denying its conclusions. His personality was strong, his voice was winning, his logic was direct and masterly, his illustrations apt and forcible, his eloquence captivating; wherever he went he made friends; whenever he preached he made converts, for he appealed with power to the hearts of the people.

It is remarkable also that while young Ballou united with the Universalists, "he seems to have meditated upon the principle of central importance in every system of Christian theology, and stood almost alone in holding opinions adverse to the doctrines of the Trinity, vicarious atonement and original reprobation. The fundamental Unitarian doctrines were elaborated by this solitary young thinker from a study of the Bible alone, and to some of them he gave as definite and radical an expression as Channing and his school afterwards attained."

What a change in the attitude of New-England Protestantism the century has wrought. Not only has Ballou's own church grown in numbers and influence, but at the same time the fundamental principles which he promulgated have overstepped the boundaries of sect, and are recognized by Unitarians, liberal Othodox and broad-church Episcopalians in the interpretation of their respective creeds. God's love is preached oftener than God's hate; and the worth of divine favor and a world-wide redemption season more sermons than theories of endless woe and unpardonable sin. The Puritan disciple of Calvin has given place to a gentler student of the gospel, who is content to trust more to the scriptures and less to the grim theologian of Geneva. In effecting this change, Hosea Ballou, first pastor of the Second Universalist Church of Boston, had a prominent and influential part under the guidance of the good God. * † *

Bibliographies of the Present Officers of Yale University, together with the Bibliography of the late President Porter. 1893. 8vo. pp. 157.

This pamphlet is by Mr. Irving Fisher, tutor in mathematics at Yale. In his preface he states that the book "is intended to furnish a means of reference to the investigations of the officers of Yale University. It is the first of a series of annual publications, each future number of which will relate to a single year. The present one, however, includes, as fully as may be, all the past work of each writer. The bibliography of President Porter is as complete as it is possible now to make it. The other bibliographies, however, do not in general include newspaper articles, anonymous writings or book notices."

The list of the publications of Noah Porter, D.D., LL.D., president of Yale College from 1871 to 1886, is placed first, and fills ten and a half closely printed pages. The publications of the present officers follow, arranged alphabetically under the officers' names.

The work is a useful one and must have cost the compiler much labor.

Collections and Proceedings of the Maine Historical Society. Published for the Society by Brown Thurston Company. Vol. IV. Quarterly Part No. 1, January, 1893. Quarterly Part No 2, April, 1893. 8vo. pp. 224, in the two parts. Subscription price $3 a year, including postage.

The first, or January number of this periodical, contains the papers and poem read at the Columbian Quadri-Centennial at Portland, Maine, October 20, 1892, namely: 1, Columbus, a Poem, by Mrs. Elizabeth Cavazza; 2, Three Suggestive Maps by Hon. James P. Baxter; 3, A Memorable Voyage by President B. L. Whitman; 4, The Character of Columbus, by Hon. George F. Talbot; 5, Some of the Portraits of Columbus, by Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D.; 6, Where was Columbus buried, by Hon. Joseph Williamson; 7, The Columbiad, by Prof. Henry L. Chapman. An engraving of the Yanez Columbus portrait embellishes this series of articles.

The January number also contains sketches of the lives of early Maine Ministers, by Hon. William D. Williamson; James Stuart Holmes, by J. F. Sprague; Portland Banks, by William E. Gould; Hallowell Records, communicated by William B. Lapham, M.D.; and Proceedings of the Society from June 26, 1888, to February 22, 1889.

The April number contains: 1, Fort Pentagoet and the French Occupation of Castine, by George A. Wheeler; 2, The Beginnings of Waterville College, now Colby University, by Henry S. Burrage, D.D.; 3, Mission of Father Rasles, as depicted by himself, by E. C. Cummings; 4, Christopher Levitt, the first owner of the soil of Portland, by Hon. James Phinney Baxter; 5, Sketches of Early Maine Ministers, by Hon. William D. Williamson; 6, Hallowell Records, communicated by Dr. W. B. Lapham; and 7, Proceedings of the Society from March 23, 1889, to June 23, 1889.

This quarterly periodical of the Maine Historical Society makes its appearance promptly, and is filled with valuable historical matter.

Fifth Report on the Custody and Condition of the Public Records in the Parishes, Towns and Counties. By ROBERT T. SWAN, Commissioner. Boston: Wright & Potter Printing Co., State Printers. 1893. 8vo. pp. 50.

Mr. Swan, the Commissioner of Public Records for the State of Massachusetts, in his fifth report, now before us, gives the results of his work last year, which he says are "gratifying in that an increased interest has been awakened in the records, and much has been done towards improvement, as much, perhaps, as could have been expected in a matter which has lain comparatively dormant for forty years. The annual burning of town records which has taken place for the past three years has been kept up; but there is some cause for congratulation, that in one town the records had just been removed when the clerk's house was burned. The number of cities and towns reporting records burned now reaches forty-five. Twenty-five churches report records of one kind or another burned, and, as in early years the church and parish records were in reality the town records, part of these can be added to the list of town records burned."

The report of Commissioner Swan of the work done by him, and the information which he has obtained of the condition of the public records and the care bestowed upon them by their custodians, shows the importance of the office. Mr. Swan recommends the printing of the records. This is the only sure way of preserving them. The report of 1891 contained a list of the cities and towns which had printed their records or portions of them. An additional list is given in the present report. The commissioner renews this year his recommendation that the State establish a standard for record ink. He cites instances where records in the last half of the present century are gradually fading out, and in some instances had to be retraced.

Society of Colonial Wars. Constitution and By-Laws. Membership. New York: January, 1893. 8m. 8vo. pp. 106.

Constitution and By-Laws of the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America. 18mo. pp. 22.

In this number of the REGISTER we have noticed some recent publications of Societies of the Sons and the Daughters of the Revolution. The societies which have issued the publications whose titles are given above are formed to keep in remembrance the virtues of our ancestors of an earlier date. We quote the preamble of the Constitution of the Society of Colonial Dames:

"History shows that successive generations are awakened to truer patriotism and stimulated to nobler endeavour by the contemplation of the heroic deeds of their forefathers, and that the remembrance of a nation's glory in the past is essential to national greatness in the future; therefore, recognizing the responsibility which rests upon the descendants of those men and women who, in the Colonial period and in the struggle which secured for us our liberty and our Constitution, sacrificed their all for their country, to emulate the virtues of our forefathers, we do hereby associate ourselves under the title of 'The Colonial Dames of America,' and we do declare that our Organization shall have for its object the commemoration of the brilliant achievements of the founders of this great Republic, to the end that the women as well as the men of this land may be stimulated to better and nobler lives."

The Society of Colonial Wars is composed of men descended from those who have rendered military service to their country in the several American colonies and provinces. The constitution of the Society sets forth the objects of the organization in these words:

"The objects of said society are social and patriotic, and the said society is to be formed for the purpose of perpetuating among their descendants the memory of those brave and hardy men who assisted in establishing the colonies of America and periled their lives and interests in the French and Indian Wars from May 13, 1607, to April 19, 1775, which, preceding the Revolutionary struggle, tended to form the glorious, free and independent United States of America; and for the collection and preservation of Historical Relics and Documents relating to that period."

The objects of these associations are worthy of commendation, and we wish them success in their undertakings.

A Report of the Record Commissioners of the City of Boston, containing the Selectmen's Minutes from 1769 through April, 1775. Boston: Rockwell & Churchill, City Printers. 1893.

In this twenty-third Report of the Record Commissions of the City of Boston, the Minutes of the Selectmen are laid before us in print to the 19th April, 1775, the day when the Battle of Lexington was fought. At this point, the editor, Mr. Whitmore, informs us that the record is suspended until May 20, 1776.

We have often spoken of the value of the records and documents which the commissioners are preserving in the print, and we congratulate them on having accomplished so much, in the eighteen years since the board was organized.

The College of Early Days. By ANDREW MCFARLAND DAVIS. 8vo. pp. 18.

The Lady Mowlson Scholarship at Cambridge. By ANDREW MCFARLAND DAVIS. Worcester, Mass.: Press of Charles Hamilton. 1893. 8vo. pp. 9.

Mr. Davis, of Cambridge, has devoted much attention during the last few years to the investigation of obscure points in the history of Harvard College. One of his articles in this line, on "The Exhibitions of Harvard College prior to 1800," was printed in the REGISTER for July, 1892. The two pamphlets before us elucidate other points.

In "The College of Early Days," Mr. Davis carries us back to the days of the foundation of Harvard College, shows us where the college building was probably located and how it was built, and gives us glimpses of student life in the early colonial period. The pamphlet is a reprint from the *Harvard Graduates' Magazine* for April, 1893.

The paper on "The Lady Mowlson Scholarship at Cambridge" was read at the annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society, October 21, 1892, and is reprinted from the Proceedings of that Society. It relates to the first scholarship at Harvard College and its founder. When Mr. Davis began his investigations nothing was known of the donor, except her name and the date of the receipt of her donation through Mr. Weld. He is now able to show us that she was the widow of Sir Thomas Mowlson, lord mayor of London, and to furnish other interesting facts concerning her.

History of the Town of Rochester, New Hampshire, from 1722 to 1890. By FRANKLIN MCDUFFEE, A.M. Edited and revised by SILVANUS HAYWARD. In two volumes. Manchester: The John B. Clarke Co., Printers. 1892. 8vo. Vol. I., pp. 378; Vol. II., pp. 310 (379-685).

The editor of this work, the Rev. Silvanus Hayward of Southbridge, Mass., in his preface, informs his readers that the author of this history, the late Franklin McDuffee of Rochester, "in 1865 began a series of historical sketches in the *Rochester Courier*, and with much labor during subsequent years, collected a large amount of material for a town history. The minute and thorough character of his work is seen in the early history, and especially in the record of Rochester in the Rebellion. The carefully prepared sketches and other papers contain scattered notes, suggesting changes and additions indicative, in some degree, of his general plan. His lamented death left the work unfortunately incomplete. His father, John McDuffee, Esq. (now recently deceased), took great interest in the matter, and expressed his desire to put the money, which others would have expended in marble or granite, into the History of Rochester, as a better and more enduring monument to the memory of his son. At his request I undertook the task of editing and completing the work. It has proved a greater labor than was at first anticipated. Every sentence has been carefully reviewed and re-written in the desire to make it as nearly as possible what the author himself would have wished. Much has been added, and many parts are exclusively my own."

Rev. Mr. Hayward has performed his task faithfully, and the book does great credit to his ability and zeal. It treats of the Indian and Proprietary history; the life of the early settlers, its leading men in the revolutionary period, its church history, its professional and business men, and other matters of interest in the annals of the town now a city.

The book has many illustrations, such as maps and plans, portraits of prominent men, views of buildings, etc. The appendix contains a record of baptisms and marriages from 1737 to 1824, from the church records. A good index is given.

Barbara Fritchie. A Story. By CAROLINE H. DALL. Boston: Roberts Brothers. 1892. 12mo. pp. 99.

Whittier's poem of "Barbara Fritchie" is well known. Soon after it appeared, doubts as to the facts on which it was founded were expressed, and even the existence of the heroine herself was questioned. Mrs. Dall has devoted much time to investigating the subject, so that she could give to the literary world a true version of the story of Barbara Fritchie. In November, 1875, she contributed to the New York *Independent* an article on the subject. A second and fuller account was contributed by her in March, 1878, to a magazine printed at Springfield, Mass., called the *Sunday Afternoon*.

The volume before us contains the result of Mrs. Dall's investigations to the present time. Her conclusion is that Barbara Fritchie did display the stars and stripes from her window in the city of Frederick in Maryland, while Stonewall Jackson's troops marched through the place, that the flag-staff was shot away by the soldiers and the flag rescued by Barbara. She is convinced, however, that Jackson was not at the head of his troops at the time, and that what Whittier says of his action is not historically true.

Mrs. Dall has conducted her research in a thorough manner, and deserves much credit for the light she throws on a subject which interests us all. She tells us that Whittier, not long before his death, told a Baltimore friend that he regretted the ballad, as he was doubtful of the story. "But," Mrs. Dall adds, "Whittier had no occasion to regret his ballad. Noble-hearted Stonewall Jackson neither loses or gains by the story, and would willingly spare a laurel leaf in the brave old German's honor."

The book is well printed, and is illustrated with a portrait of Barbara Fritchie and a view of her house.

The Early Records of the Town of Providence. Vol. II. Being the Second Book of the Town of Providence, otherwise called the Old Town Book, the Short Old Book, the Old Burnt Book, and sometimes the Book with Brass Clasps. Printed under the Authority of the City Council of Providence, by HORATIO ROGERS, GEORGE MOULTON CARPENTER and EDWARD FIELD, Record Commissioners. Providence: Snow & Farnham, City Printers. 1893. Sm. 4to. pp. 219.

This is the second volume of the Early Records of Providence, Rhode Island, printed under the direction of Messrs. Rogers, Carpenter and Field, commis-

sioners, under a resolution of the City Council of Providence, approved March 6, 1891. The first volume, issued a year ago, contained "The First Book of the Town of Providence, otherwise called the Long Old Book with Parchment Cover."

The present volume contains the record of the doings of the town from July 27, 1642, to March 25, 1661. The commissioners, in their preface, give an account of the condition of the original book, and the means they have taken to reproduce it. A transcript was made in 1800, which has assisted them in supplying deficiencies which have occurred since that time. The commissioners inform their readers that "their effort has been to present to the possessor of this volume, as nearly as possible, the same information which he would receive from a perusal of the original book. . . . . The following method has been pursued in making the copy, as in the case of the first volume: In the first place a careful copy of the original was made under the direction of the commissioners. They then personally compared this copy, letter by letter, with the original, and at the same time with the transcript of 1800, for the double purpose of assisting in the interpretation of doubtful words, and also of supplying letters or words which are wanting or illegible in the original. The copy thus produced being sent to the printer, the commissioners have personally read all the proofs, comparing every letter therein with the original, and also with the copy previously prepared by them, and in every case receiving and reading revises until a proof sheet was received in which such vigilance as they were able to exercise could detect no error."

The early records of Providence have great historical value, and are worthy of the extreme care which the commissioners have taken to obtain a reliable reproduction of them. The book is well printed, and a fac-simile of the compact of the "twenty-five acre purchasers" is given.

William and Mary Quarterly Historical Papers. Editor: LYON G. TYLER, M.A., Williamsburg, Va. Published quarterly. Subscription price $3 a year, or 75 cents a number. No. 1, July, 1892; No. 2, October, 1892; No. 3, January, 1893; No. 4, April, 1893. 8vo. pp. 211.

Of great historical interest and value are these volumes issued by William and Mary College, the oldest institution of learning in the Old Dominion (founded in the year 1692), and, after our own Harvard College, the oldest in our land. This quarterly certainly shows a reason for being in the judicious selection of historical material contained in its pages. May it have a long and prosperous existence. The editor, Mr. Lyon G. Tyler, is the president of William and Mary College, and the author of a valuable life of his father, the Hon. John Tyler, noticed in the REGISTER (vol. 39, page 206), at the time of its publication.

Space will permit of reference to but few of the articles. In a terse and vigorous style, Mr. Tyler, the editor, gives graphic sketches in a paper entitled "Early Presidents of William and Mary," of James Blair, D.D. (that courageous servant of the church militant in his generation, in whom there was character-stuff enough to give great impetus to the work), the founder of the College, and its president for fifty years; and of John Camm and James Madison, other able and zealous friends of the College, who succeeded him in the presidency. The portraits drawn of the Royal Governors, Sir Edmund Andros (not unknown to Massachusetts people in colonial days) and Sir Francis Nicholson, are far from flattering. At last, however, came Alexander Spotswood, a man of a stronger fibre, who administered more wisely the affairs of the colony. It is gratifying to note that very early in the history of this ancient College, provision was made for the education of the Indians. In 1723 a large building was erected for them by means of the Robert Boyle fund, for "pious and charitable uses," on the college grounds. Our New England forefathers at even an earlier day were not unmindful of their obligation to the original owners of the soil. Probably the plan carried out at William and Mary College was better than that adopted here, for, instead of sending out missionaries to the Indians, they educated and christianized Indian youths and sent them back to instruct and convert their own people. When will our people, or rather our government, recognize our obligation to this much-injured race; treat them like men, citizens of our Republic; not as wards merely, to be herded together in as small a space as possible, and to be taken care of at the least possible cost? Let Congress pass a law making the Indians citizens, with equal rights before the law, and remove this long-standing blot on our national escutcheon.

Interesting reference is made to various members of the distinguished Randolph family,—prominent for generations in educational and political life,—particularly to John Randolph (probably an ancestor of that noble man, the subject of Whittier's splendid poem, "Randolph of Roanoke"), to whom the College was much indebted.

Another of the articles, entitled "Virginia Threads for the Future Historian," contains an interesting letter from George Calvert, the first Lord Baltimore, in regard to his colony of Avalon in New Foundland, to secretary John Coke, which has recently appeared in one of the reports of the Parliament Historical Commission.

Of great interest to lawyers, statesmen, and indeed to all lovers of history, will be the copy of Jefferson's Virginia Constitution, reprinted from the author's MS., hitherto unknown, even to his descendants, for more than a century. It is well edited by Kate Mason Rowland. In this plan of government the executive authority is hampered and restricted in many ways; still, power may be a very dangerous thing, and should be very carefully guarded by the people from whom it is delegated. This paper alone would well furnish material for an entire review, and should be carefully studied in all its details. As might be expected, Jefferson declares in no uncertain language the doctrine of civil and religious liberty.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

Magazine of American History; a Monthly Illustrated Journal. New York: The National History Company, 132 Nassau St. Published Monthly. Small 4to. Each number contains about 100 pages. Price $4 per annum, or 35 cts. a number.

The numbers of this magazine for February, March and April, are before us. On Monday, the 2d of January last, Mrs. Martha J. Lamb, who had been the editor of the work nearly ten years, from May, 1883, to January, 1893, died. She had filled the position with rare ability, and made the work of great value to historical students, and a credit to herself. On her death, the National History Company, who had been publishing a similar periodical, purchased Mrs. Lamb's magazine, materially enlarged the size, reduced the price, and engaged the services of Gen. James Grant Wilson as editor. The work is highly creditable under its new management. We learn that Gen. Wilson has been obliged by other engagements to resign the editorship.

The Constitution of the Society of Sons of the Revolution, and By-Laws and Register of the New Jersey Society. Instituted January 6, 1891. Trenton, 1892.

This handsomely printed pamphlet of forty pages, on handmade paper, with a rubricated title page, head and tail pieces, contains the names and descent of seventy members of the newly formed New Jersey Chapter of the rapidly increasing Society of Sons of the Revolution. We have in its pages some of the most honored and distinguished names of a State which was the battle ground of many of the contests of the Revolution. The original feature of this publication, which has since been followed in part by the Society in Massachusetts, is the valuable list, which is a bond of unity: "Persons Represented in the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New Jersey. Including names of persons representing them, in the Societies in the States of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania."

Samuel Meredith Dickinson, of Trenton, is the president; Clement Hall Sinnickson of Salem, vice president; John Alexander Campbell of Trenton, secretary. The registrar, Mr. Foster Connarroe Griffith, of Trenton, deserves praise for this creditable piece of work. The object of the Society of Sons of the Revolution, to study the past, to keep alive "the American idea," to promote a purer Americanism, irrespective of party, should commend it to the respectful consideration of our best citizens.

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Year Book of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Joseph Gurley Woodman, Chairman; Lucius Franklin Robinson, Jonathan Flynt Morris, Publishing Committee. Printed by the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Three, and of the Independence of the United States the One Hundred and Eighteenth. 8vo. pp. 274.

Register of Members of the Society of Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the Constitution and By-Laws. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1893. 8vo. pp. 81.

The Constitution of the Society of Sons of the Revolution and By-Laws and Register of the Iowa Society. Davenport: Edward Borcherdt, Printer. 1893. 8vo. pp. 28.

Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Organized March 28, 1891, with the Constitution and Roll of Membership. And in addition the Constitution and Officers of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. 1891, 8vo. pp. 21.

Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Proceedings at the First Annual Reunion, Preble House, Portland, February 22, 1892. Proceedings at the Second Annual Reunion, Preble House, Portland, February 22, 1893. Portland: Brown Thurston Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 62.

The Constitution of the General Society of the Sons of the Revolution, and the Constitution and By-Laws and List of Members of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of Georgia. Savannah, Ga.: George N. Nichols, Printer and Binder. 1892. 8vo. pp. 42.

The Constitution of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution, and By-Laws and Register of the Society of the District of Columbia, June, 1892. Washington, D. C.; Gibson Bros., Printers and Booksellers. 1892. 12mo. pp. 47.

Loan Exhibition of the Gaspee Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, April 19 and 20, 1892. 8vo. pp. 51.

Two organizations known as the Sons of the Revolution and the Sons of the American Revolution have grown out of the celebration of the Centenary of American Independence in 1876. The members consist of descendants of those who did service to their country in the American Revolution. Each has a General Society, with branch societies in the several States. The headquarters of the Sons of the Revolution are at New York city, and those of the Sons of the American Revolution are at Washington. A later society, the Daughters of the American Revolution, has been formed. At the head of this notice we give the titles of various publications issued by societies connected with these organizations, of which copies have been deposited in the library of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and which have not previously been noticed in the REGISTER. These societies bid fair to do much good by keeping in memory the acts and sufferings of the Revolutionary patriots from whom we are descended. We quote the preamble to the Constitution of the General Society of the Sons of the Revolution:

"It being evident from the steady decline of a proper celebration of the national holy days of the United States of America, that popular concern in the events and men of the War of the Revolution is gradually declining, and that such lack of interest is attributable, not so much to the lapse of time and the rapidly increasing flood of immigration from foreign countries, as to the neglect, on the part of the descendants of Revolutionary heroes, to perform their duty in keeping before the public mind the memory of the services of their ancestors, and of the times in which they lived: therefore, the Society of the Sons of the Revolution has been instituted to perpetuate the memory of the men who, in the military, naval, and civic service of the Colonies and of the Continental Congress, by their acts or counsel achieved the independence of the country, and to further the proper celebration of the anniversaries of the birth-day of Washington, and of prominent events connected with the War of the Revolution; to collect and secure for preservation the rolls, records, and other documents relating to that period; to inspire the members of the Society with the patriotic spirit of their forefathers; and to promote the feeling of friendship among them."

The Alpha of Money. A reply to Mr. Carnegie's "A. B. C. of Money." By GEORGE REED. Steunberg Bros., Printers, Caldwell, Idaho. 8vo. pp. 41.

This is a timely contriburion to the currency question, which at the present time so much engrosses the attention of the people of the United States.

Upham Genealogy. The Descendants of John Upham, who came from England in 1635, and lived in Weymouth and Malden. By F. K. UPHAM. Albany, N. Y.: Joel Munsell's Sons, Publishers. 1892. 8vo. pp. 573.

Johnson Genealogy. Records of the Descendants of John Johnson of Ipswich and Andover, Mass., 1635–1892. With an Appendix containing records of descendants of Timothy Johnson of Andover, and Poems of Johnson Descendants. Compiled by Rev. WILLIAM W. JOHNSON. Published by the compiler, North Greenfield, Wisconsin. 1892. 8vo. pp. 200. Price, $2.50; by mail, $2.62. To be purchased of the compiler, North Greenfield, Wisconsin.

Lineage and Biographies of the Norris Family in America from 1640 to 1892, with Reference to the Norrises of England as early as 1311. With Illustrations. By Hon. LEONARD ALLISON MORRISON. Boston, Mass.: Published by Damrell & Upham. 1892. 8vo. pp. 207.

Cilley Family. Compiled by J. P. CILLEY, of Rockland. 8vo. pp. 47.

Genealogical Chart of the Chester Family, together with other Lineal Ancestors of the Compiler. By J. BAYARD BACKUS. New York. 1893. Tabular pedigree, 21 in. by 32 inches.

Family of Alden, 1620 to 1893. Tabular pedigree 28 in. by 33 inches.

Hunnewell Family. Compiled by HENRY STODDARD RUGGLES. Tabular pedigree, 20 in. by 30 inches.

Welles Family. Compiled by HENRY STODDARD RUGGLES. Tabular pedigree, 20 in. by 30 inches.

A Record of the Ancestry and Kindred of Edward Tompkins, Sr., late of Oakland, California (deceased), with an Appendix. Preliminary Edition. Printed for the Compiler. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 65. The compiler's address is P. O. Box 292, Oakland, California.

Howes Genealogy. The Branch of John of Madison, N. Y., of the Sixth American Generation. By HEMAN HOWES SANFORD. 1893.

A Sketch of the Military Career of Captain John Daves of the North Carolina Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution. Together with Some Facts of Local and Family History. By his grandson, Major GRAHAM DAVES, C.S.A. Baltimore: Press of Friedenwald Co. 1892. 8vo. pp. 16. With portrait. To be obtained of Edward G. Daves, 821 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.

The Brown Memorial. Family of Benjamin Brown, M.D. Compiled by BERTHA VICTORIA FOSTER for the Family. Washington, D.C.: Judd & Detweiler, Printers. 1893. 8vo. pp. 26.

A History of the Putnam Family in England and America. By EBEN PUTNAM. Part IV. Salem. April, 1893. 8vo. 72 pages (177 to 248). Issued only to subscribers.

Descendants of Jonathan Gillet of Dorchester, Mass. and Windsor, Conn. By the late SALMON CONE GILLETTE. Arranged and enlarged by the Rev. HENRY CLAY ALVORD. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1893.

We continue in this number our quarterly list of recent genealogical publications.

The Upham Genealogy is by Capt. Frank Kidder Upham, U.S.A., who has been for many years collecting materials for the work. John Upham, the ancestor of this family, came to New England in 1635 with the Rev. Joseph Hull, and the names of himself and other members of his family are to be found in the list of passengers printed in the REGISTER, vol. 25, pp. 13 to 15. The book before us seems to be very thoroughly and carefully compiled. Over four hundred pages are devoted to the descendants of the emigrant John Upham, and there is a supplement of about a hundred pages "showing the ancestry of John Upham of New England with an English Upham Genealogy." An index of about seventy pages carries the book up to 572 pages. We congratulate the author on being able to compile a volume so creditable to the family and to himself.

The book on the Johnson families of Ipswich and Andover is by the Rev. William W. Johnson, the compiler of "Records of the Descendants of David Johnson of Leominster, Mass.," and "Records of the Descendants of Thomas Clarke of Plymouth." The present work is in reality an enlargement of his

first work. That began with David Johnson of Leominster, born Aug. 20, 1715, and died Nov. 10, 1799. The book before us carries the record back to his great-grandfather, John Johnson, who settled at Ipswich as early as 1635. The author thus writes of the difficulties that attended the preparation of his first work: "Living in the West far away from the great Libraries of the country, which contain rich stores of historical and genealogical information, and not having access to the records of those towns and counties where the early generations of the family resided, he was not able to trace the line beyond the said David." The present work gives a very full record of the descendants of the immigrant ancestor of the family. The book is well printed and indexed, and is illustrated with many fine portraits.

Mr. Morrison's "Lineage and Biographies of the Norris Family in America" is a well compiled and handsomely printed book. The immigrant ancestor of the family was Nicholas Norris, who settled at Hampton, N.H., near the middle of the seventeenth century. The author has had much experience in writing books on local and family history. He has given us in the book before us a very full record of the descendants of the Hampton immigrant. The book is well printed and illustrated with numerous portraits. It is well indexed.

The Cilley Genealogy is by Jonathan P. Cilley, a graduate of Bowdoin College, and a member of the Maine Historical Society, whose father, Hon. Jonathan Cilley, was a classmate of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and Nathaniel Hawthorne at that institution, and a victim of a duel with W. J. Graves in 1838, while a member of Congress from Maine. The book, though a small one, seems to be carefully compiled.

Mr. Backus's Chart of the Chester Family, besides that family, preserves a genealogical account of the compiler's ancestors of other names. Among the families from which Mr. Backus is descended are many that have an honorable record in this country and in England.

The Alden tabular pedigree gives some lines of the descendant of John Alden and of his wife Priscilla Molines, the heroine of Longfellow's famous poem "The Courtship of Miles Standish."

The tabular pedigrees of the Hunnewell and Welles families are by Mr. Ruggles of Wakefield, Mass. The Hunnewell Family is descended from Roger Hunnewell, who came to New England at an early date, and died in 1654; and the Welles Family from Thomas Welles of Hartford, an early governor of Connecticut. They seem to be carefully compiled, and are handsomely printed.

The children of Edward Tompkins, senior, to whose ancestry and kindred the next pamphlet is devoted, were descended from John Tompkins, an early settler of Concord, Mass. The work is well compiled, and a number of tabular pedigrees make the descent and kinship clear to its readers.

The Howes pamphlet is by Mr. Sanford, 404 Ostrom Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y. John Howes, whose branch of the Howes family he here traces, was a descendant of Thomas Howes, who settled at Yarmouth, Mass. in 1639. The genealogy is well compiled.

The pamphlet on Capt. John Daves contains an interesting account of that revolutionary patriot. A genealogy of his descendants is appended.

The Benjamin Brown Memorial traces the ancestry of Dr. Brown, who was descended from Chad Brown, who settled early at Providence, R. I. The pamphlet gives an account of the life of Dr. Benjamin Brown, and a full record of his descendants. The work is carefully compiled and handsomely printed.

The fourth part of Eben Putnam's History of the Putnam Family is just issued. It contains the record of children of the sixth generation.

The pamphlet on the Descendants of Jonathan Gillet is a reprint from the April number of the REGISTER.

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Mr. Clapp, the senior member of the firm that has printed the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register for over twenty-eight years, died at his residence in South Boston on Wednesday, May 10, 1893, aged eighty-seven years. Mr. Clapp was a member of the "Register Club," which in the autumn of 1864 assumed the pecuniary responsibility of publishing the Register for the Society (*ante*, vol. 30, page 185). Mr. Clapp was much interested in historical and genealogical subjects, and was one of the publishing committee of the Clapp Memorial, issued in 1876. His knowledge and taste have been of much service to the several editors of the Register. "Mr. Clapp was a man of many virtues, of strict uprightness and integrity, respected and beloved by all who knew him." He was a warden of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, for nearly half a century.

A memoir by William Blake Trask, A.M., with a portrait, will appear in a subsequent number of the Register.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.—W. G. Stannard communicates to the William and Mary College Quarterly for April, 1893, an article entitled "John Washington on a Trading Voyage to the East Country," in which he furnishes new information about the emigrant ancestor of President Washington, and "Unpublished Notes on the Washingtons, Popes, Brodhursts, etc."

Rev. Edward D. Neill, D.D., of St. Paul, Minn., who has thrown much light on the Washington pedigree, brings this article to the attention of the readers of the New York Nation in a communication to that paper of the 18th of May last, and shows the value of the documents, particularly as bearing upon Mr. Waters's theory.

George H. Hawtayne, Esq., of Demerara, who contributed the article on the "Will of Mrs. Margaret Hawtayne," in this number of the REGISTER (*ante*, pp. 303–4), writes to the editor under date of 6 May, 1893:—

"I have just been informed that a deed of sale exists among the Barbados records thus: 'Entered July 26, 1661. Edward Jones sells to Bartholomew Washington for 16002 lbs of muscavado sugar a place in the Citie of Bridgetown.'"

MATHER CHAIR.—We would acknowledge our indebtedness to Nathaniel Paine, Esq., of Worcester, Mass., for a photograph of this chair, from which the engraving in this number, facing page 340, is made. The chair was presented to the Americal Antiquarian Society by Mrs. Hannah Mather Crocker (who died in 1829), and according to her statement, printed on page 340, it was brought to this country in 1635 by Rev. Richard Mather, who had sat in it in England when a child. We are under obligation to the American Antiquarian Society for allowing Mr. Paine to take the photograph.

GEN. HENRY KNOX.—The career of Gen. Knox was the subject of discussion at the annual dinner of the Maine Sons of the Revolution, at the Preble House, Portland, Me., Feb. 24, 1893. The president, John E. DeWitt, gave a review of the various societies of Sons of the Revolution, and papers were read by Rev. Henry S. Burrage, on Knox's military career; Edward P. Burnham, on Knox as a statesman; and Joseph Williamson, on Knox as a citizen of Maine.

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The History of the Centennial Celebration of the Inauguration of George Washington as first President of the United States. Edited by CLARENCE WINTHROP BOWEN, PH. D., Secretary of the Committee. New York: D. Appleton and Company. 1892. Folio; pp. 673.

This volume is both a memorial of a highly interesting event and a permanent addition to the library of history. It serves to mark in a fitting manner the date of the completed century of our national government, and, as such monument of the progress of time, may outlast any like symbol of stone or bronze. As a volume of history it gives an authentic account of the current event of the centennial celebration, and also of the circumstances and ceremonies with which the government began. Under the latter head are comprised much biographical information (some of which has hitherto failed of publication) and certain descriptive accounts of the event of President Washington's first inauguration, contained in letters written at the time by ministers resident to their respective governments, and which have recently been excerpted from the archives of those governments. The volume is profusely illustrated by engravings, most of which have been produced by the aid of photography, with results highly satisfactory to the connoisseur in art. Besides portraits of great historical interest, the illustrations comprise much that relates to the period of the organization of the government and to the celebration itself, which took place in New York city on April 30 and May 1 and 2, 1889. As respects the celebration the artist photographer seized every point of vantage, and gives us scenes from life at the most interesting stages of the great demonstration. It is to be noted that all this is also history, and that, as far away into the centuries as these pictures shall endure, the event, in its minute lineaments as well as its general aspects, may be visually known.

The table of contents numbers twenty-two chapters, each having its special topic. For the present purpose, however, the contents may be summed up as a historical sketch of the inauguration; brief biographies of the members of the First Congress; a short account of the semi-centennial observance, which occurred in New York, April 30, 1839; a description, at length, of the celebration of 1889, and a chapter of "notes on portraits." The chapter on the inauguration was written by the editor. The story is told in a consecutive way, with numerous touches of detail, and in a manner to give a unity of impression. The chapter of biographies contains, as already intimated, much new matter, and it is, for reference, of special value in the way of supplement to the dictionaries and formal works of biography. The writer is Paul Leicester Ford. In regard to his work the editor says: "Nearly a year was spent by him [Mr. Ford] in preparing the chapter, so difficult was it to obtain the dates of the births and deaths of all the members of the First Congress under the Constitution." The fidelity in research thus suggested extends to other matters no less, as is evinced by various foot notes, which signify extensive correspondence for ascertainment of facts from original sources. The names of each State delegation are alphabetically arranged in the text, making reference thereto convenient.

Five of the topics in the account of the centennial celebration have been treated upon by the editor and the others by chairmen of the several committees. One topic is the "Literary Exercises," in which are given in full, among other things, the poem by J. G. Whittier, the oration by Chauncey M. Depew and brief remarks by Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States. The chapter on "The Banquet" contains, among others, verbatim reports of the speeches of President Harrison, Chief Justice Fuller, ex-Presidents Hayes and Cleveland, Gen. W. T. Sherman, President Eliot of Harvard University and James R. Lowell.

An important part of the commemorative doings was an exhibition of works of art and personal relics, illustrative of the period of the Revolution and that which succeeded. These were largely original portraits on canvas and in sculpture, and engravings of early date. The catalogue contained 1,374 numbers, some of which were newspapers of the periods named. The chairman of the committee in his report ventures the opinion that this exhibition (the "loan exhibition") "will stand as the best achievement of the centennial celebration." The remark seems warranted if the collection be regarded as the basis, or nucleus, of the total art exhibit here given, in exact similitude, in the engravings of the centennial volume. By photograhy the art treasures (that is the historical portraits) of many public and private institutions, and of many homes, as well as those contained in the exhibition itself, are reproduced, and these faithful copies may be said to bring us into immediate contact with Washington and his renowned contemporaries. Thus, the volume supplies what no art gallery can do, the several portraits, both those of the greatest and those of lesser fame in the art catalogues, of these illustrious personages. The student, whether of history or of art, with these various portraits of a particular person assembled before him, is advantaged in having opportunity for instant comparative criticism, and, as a historical student, especially, he has the satisfaction of acquiring in mind, a true, or at least approximately true portrait of the living subject.

The possibility of thus acquiring such a portrait ceases when the concrete examples are but few, and these much at variance. But of personages of chief renown the number here is ample. Of Franklin there are 53 different portraits in the volume; of Washington, 29; of Jefferson, 21; of Hamilton, 16; of John Adams, 14; of John Jay, 10. One portrait, at least, of each of 78 of the 96 members of the First Congress has been obtained. A considerable number are of the wives or other female relatives of distinguished Americans of the period. In all there are 529 portraits in the volume, many being repetitions or duplicates. A considerable number are photographs of busts.

The great value of this array of portraiture is much enhanced by the "Notes on Portraits," which make up the closing chapter of the volume. This chapter, which is of 135 pages length, was written by the editor, and consists of a historical account of all the more celebrated portraits. It is at once a storehouse of information and a monument of painstaking, and amounts to an authoritative text book on the subject. The writer frequently mentions the sources of his knowledge, strengthening the proof of authenticity; and, as to the identity of the

artist, and like points, defers, in several instances, to the judgment of Charles Henry Hart, of Philadelphia, who was of the art committee of the Exhibition, and who, he says, is "an acknowledged authority on historical portraits." The volume is supplied with an excellent index of 121 pages, the work of Robert H. Kelby, of the New York Historical Society. The printer and the bookbinder have contributed in their special ways in making the volume a work of art. But 1,000 copies have been issued, and a donation of one copy has been made to the United States government, to each State and Territory of the Union, to the city of New York, and to the governments of England, France, Spain, Holland and Sweden, whose representatives were present at the inauguration and sent home official accounts of it.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society, New Series. Providence, R. I.: Published by the Society. 8vo. Vol. I, No. 1, April, 1893, pp. 98; No. 2, July, 1893, pp. 82. Published quarterly. Price $1 a year.

Report of the Librarian and Cabinet Keeper of the Rhode Island Historical Society. 1893. 8vo. pp. 24.

The Rhode Island Historical Society, at its meeting held April 4, 1893, passed a resolution that the proceedings of the Society should be published quarterly, the first number to consist of the usual annual transactions and the subsequent numbers for the year to consist of such matter hitherto unpublished as the publishing committee should select. The two first numbers have been issued. The first or April number contains a report of the proceedings; the address of the president, Gen. Horatio Rogers; the reports of the committees; the reports of the librarian and the treasurer; the annual necrology and some other matters. The publication committee are Rev. Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, and Messrs. John G. Vose and Amasa M. Eaton. Wilfred H. Munro is the assistant editor. The work is well printed. We wish the Society success in its new departure.

The second or July number is devoted to Librarian Perry's valuable report on the nature, extent and condition of the town and city records of Rhode Island. This subject has engaged the attention of the Historical Society and other students of history for ten years or more. Dr. Perry refers to the various plans that have been proposed and considered, among them one for procuring "accurate copies of all the colonial town records with a view to their publication." Finally, at the quarterly meeting of the Historical Society held in October, 1892, the librarian was authorized to issue circulars to the several town and city clerks, asking information in regard to the condition of their records. Replies were secured from all the clerks, answering a series of questions which had been sent to them. Dr. Perry in the work before us prints the answers of the town clerks or abstracts of them. They are arranged alphabetically under the towns, and the compiler has prefixed to each town a brief summary of its history. In Rhode Island the town records include the probate records and the registry of deeds, as well as the doings of the town and the records of births, marriages and deaths. The work of Dr. Perry is similar to that done by the Record Commission of Massachusetts, His introductory report contains many matters of interest, particularly to antiquarian students, on the state and colony as well as the town records. "It is a matter of regret," says he, "that while the records of our civil war are well preserved, admirably arranged and cared for, the records of the Colonial and Revolutionary wars, and of the war of 1812, are meagre, detached and scattered, and no properly organized efforts have yet been made to collect, arrange and index them, with the view of honoring the memory of the men and women who risked, if they did not lose, their lives and fortunes for the freedom and independence of their state and country." A Commission, he adds, "cannot too soon be organized with this object in view."

The annual report of the librarian, Amos Perry, LL.D., has been reprinted from the Proceedings in the April number, and its title will be found at the head of this notice. Dr. Perry gives a list and description of the buildings and rooms which have served as cabinets of the Society since its organization, a period of more than seventy years, and a full report of the condition of the library and museum. The Society has some valuable paintings illustrating the history of Providence, which Dr. Perry has described, and he has been able by his research to give an account of the painters and other interesting facts concerning them.

Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica. Second Series. Edited by JOSEPH JACKSON HOWARD, LL.D., F.S.A. Vol. V. No. 18, June 1893. London: Mitchell & Hughes, 140 Wardour Street, W. Price, 1 shilling. Annual subscription, 10s. 6d.

Dr. Howard's "Miscellanea" was begun in July, 1866, and there have been completed ten royal octavo volumes, namely of the first series 2 volumes; of the "New Series" 4 volumes; and of the "Second Series," 4 volumes. A fifth volume of this series is in the course of publication, of which the number before us is the eighteenth. It contains an instalment of the Registers of Bardwell in Suffolk; Notes from the Church and Churchyard of Folkestone, Kent; the Page Family; Irish Bookplates, illustrated; the Fonnereau family; Monumental Inscriptions from the Burial Ground of St. George, Hanover Square; and Genealogical Notes and Queries.

A vast amount of genealogic and heraldic information is preserved in the ten volumes and upwards of this periodical.

History of Ilesborough, Maine. By JOHN PENDLETON FARROW, Master Mariner. Bangor. 1893. 8vo. pp. 313.

About ten miles in a south-easterly direction from the pleasant city of Belfast, Waldo County, Maine, on the beautiful Penobscot Bay, may be seen an island of about 6,000 acres, formerly called Long Island, now known by the more enphonious name of Ilesborough. Nearly thirteen miles, we are informed, gives us about the extreme length of the land, while in width it varies, singularly, from three rods to something like two miles. One portion of the territory, called "700 acre island," was visited by Capt. Benjamin Church in 1692. He found French and Indians there, often seen together in those troublesome times. They sharply eluded the Captain's vigilance, who obtained, as we learn, more property than persons; his attempts being futile to catch the "salvages" or their companions.

One-fifth of the often described Waldo grant, of nearly one thousand acres, including a great part of the now known Knox and Waldo counties, passed by inheritance into the hands ol Mrs. Knox, wife of Washington's War Secretary, Henry Knox, who afterward purchased the remaining rights, and became owner in full, in his own right, and that inherited by his wife, except such portions as had been previously alienated. An agreement, printed in the book, was made between said Knox and the Long Island settlers on the 3d of August, 1799, at the house of Major Philip Ulmer, in Ducktrap.

The early settlements of the island ante-date the Revolution, the author of the book deciding, differently from some others, that Shubael Williams from Connecticut was the first settler, in 1764, his purchase being about three hundred acres. "Without doubt," says Mr Farrow, "Samuel Pendleton came with Shubael and settled on the east side, on what is known as Little Island, in the month of September, 1764, and his descendants live there yet."

In the year 1788, a petition was sent by the inhabitants of the place, to the General Court, desiring an examination of the claim of General Knox to the ownership of the island, and asking for incorporation as a town. A commission was accordingly appointed in 1797, "to settle and declare their rights." The result of these measures is given, dated May 24, 1800, but the act of incorporation passed Jan. 28, 1789.

A plan of the town, as originally surveyed by Warren, with locations and names of first settlers, forty-five in all, faces page 93. Thomas Ames, their first minister, began to preach at the island about 1789. Thomas Waterman was representative to the General Court for North Haven and Vinal Haven, originally Fox Islands.

Between the years 1792 and 1837, twenty-two schooners, two sloops and one brig were built in Ilesborough; a list of the names, tonnage, masters and owners of these vessels being here printed.

There has been a decrease in population in Ilesborough, the number in 1860, as published, having been 1276, and 1006 in 1890.

It is a singular fact that in 1819, when the question came up before the inhabitants of the town to give in their votes "for or against dividing the State of Massachusetts from the District of Maine," two voted in favor of separation, and twenty-five against it.

Islesborough is considered a good summer resort, with attractions and conveniences suited to the desires and means of seekers after rest and enjoyment.

This work contains a number of illustrations, portraits, views and genealogies, the latter taking up more than one-half of the book, which is gotten up in fine taste, with heavy glazed paper and good type, a credit to all concerned. Besides an abstract of contents there are indexes of names and illustrations.
By William B. Trask, A.M., of Dorchester, Mass.

Proceedings of the Bostonian Society at the Annual Meeting, Jauuary 10, 1893. Boston: Old State House. Published by Order of the Society. 1893. 8vo. pp. 64.

Catalogue of the Collections of the Bostonian Society in the Memorial Halls of the Old State House. Boston: Feb. 1, 1893. Prepared by SAMUEL ARTHUR BENT, Clerk of the Society. By Authority of the Directors. Boston, 1893. 8vo. pp. 91.

The proceedings of the Bostonian Society at its twelfth annual meeting have been printed and distributed to members and others. The pamphlet contains the annual address of the president of the society, Mr. Curtis Guild, the annual report of the Board of Directors; the reports of the committees on the Rooms and on the Library; a list of accessions to the Library; the reports of the treasurer and the nominating committee; a list of the officers for the current year; the Roll of Membership and the By-Laws. The pamphlet shows that good progress has been made during the year 1892 in carrying out the objects of the society.

The next pamphlet contains a catalogue of the historical relics which the Bostonian Society has collected in Old State House, since its organization in 1881, in pursuance of its object "to promote the study of the history of Boston and the preservation of its antiquities." A mere glance at its pages will surprise those who examine the list, at the vastness and the variety of its collections. The society is preserving much that will enable visitors to carry themselves back in imagination to the Boston of past days; and much that will be useful to the future historian.

A Brief History of the Town of Unity. Written and Read by EDMUND MURCH at a meeting of the Harvard Moon Grange, Thorndike, 1892. Belfast: G. W. Burgess, Printer. 1893. 12mo. pp. 18.

This brief history of the town of Unity, in the State of Maine, preserves many interesting facts in relation to the town, particularly concerning its early history. The town lies in the north-western part of Waldo County.

Record of the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who served the United States of America in the War of the Rebellion and Previous Wars, buried in the City of Portsmouth, N. H., and the Neighboring Towns of Greenland, Newcastle, Newington and Rye, May 30, 1893. Prepared by JOSEPH FOSTER, Paymaster U. S. Navy, Portsmouth, N. H. Printed at the office of the Portsmouth Journal. 1893. 8vo. pp. 76. A copy will be mailed to any address on the receipt of 50 cents by Paymaster Joseph Foster, U. S. N., 26 Middle Street, Portsmouth, N. H.

This Memorial Day pamphlet has been prepared by Paymaster Foster for Storer Post No. 1, Department of New Hampshire of the Grand Army of the Republic. It gives "an alphabetical list of the 402 veterans of the Rebellion and previous wars buried in Portsmouth and vicinity, with the military record of each, and, whenever obtainable, copies of the notable inscriptions on the gravestones, and much additional informatiou gathered from many sources."

The Adjutant General of the state of New Hampshire, in a letter to the author dated June 1, 1893, says, "I beg to thank you for a copy of the Record of the Graves Decorated by Storer Post. It is a valuable work, and I assure you I appreciate it, and can understand that a large amount of labor has been put into the record. You have reason to be very proud of it."

Fressingfield Porch and Pews. By Rev. JOHN JAMES RAVEN, D.D., F.S.A., Vicar of Fressingfield, with Witherdale, and Honorary Canon of Norwich Cathedral. 1892. 8vo. pp. 5.

This is a paper reprinted from the proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archæology and Natural History. "The object of this paper," says the author, "is to draw attention to certain indications of a memorial of Agincourt, as it

would appear, in the porch of Fressingfield church, and likewise to the detail of that almost unique set of mediæval pews which have already attracted so much notice." Michael de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk, of the neighboring parish of Wingfield, who married Catherine, daughter of Hugh Stafford, earl of Stafford, died of disease at the siege of Harfleur in 1415, and, within a month, his son Michael fell in the battle of Agincourt. Dr. Raven thinks he finds in the porch of Fressingfield a memorial of the widow to her spouse and son who died in their country's service.

Views of the porch and of a section of the pews are given, with a description of the pews which bear elaborate carvings. "The hand of the destroyer" is said to have "been painfully active, the saw having been ruthlessly applied to many of the figures," bnt most of them have escaped his destructive hand.

Genealogy and Biographical Notes of John Parker of Lexington, and his Descendants, showing his Earlier Ancestry in America, from Dean Thomas Parker, of Reading, Mass. From 1635 to 1893. By THEODORE PARKER, a descendant in the ninth generation from Dea. Thomas Parker. Worcester, Mass.: Press of Charles Hamilton. 1893. 8vo. pp. 526. Price, $3. Address, Theodore Parker, P. O. Box, 823, Worcester, Mass.

Materials for a History of the Family of John Sullivan of Berwick, New England, and of the O'Sullivans of Ardea, Ireland. Chiefly collected by the late THOMAS COFFIN AMORY. *With a Pedigree of O'Sullivan Beare.* By Sir J. BERNARD BURKE, C.B., LL.D., Ulster. Printed for Private Distribution. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1893. 8vo. pp. xi.+170.

A Few Facts relating to the Origin and History of John Dolbeare of Boston and Some of his Descendants. Sm. 4to. pp. 32.

The Descendants of Richard and Hannah Huggins Woolworth, who landed at Newbury, Mass., 1678, and removed to Suffield, Conn., in 1685. Compiled by CHARLOTTE R. WOOLWORTH. Assisted by her daughter, JOSEPHINE L. KIMPTON. New Haven, Conn. 1893. 8vo. pp. 209. Address Mrs. C. R. Woolworth, 15 Chatham Street, New Haven.

Genealogy of the Howes Family in America. Descendants of Thomas Howes, Yarmouth, Mass. 1637–1892. With Some Account of English Ancestry. By JOSHUA CROWELL HOWES, Dennis, Mass. With Illustrations. Yarmouthport, Mass.: Printed for the Author by Fred. Hallett. 1892. 8vo. pp. 308.

Some of the Ancestors of Rodman Stoddard of Woodbury, Conn., and Detroit, Mich. A Compilation by EDWARD DEACON. Bridgeport, Conn.: Press of Stiles & Tucker, 21 Fairfield Avenue. 1893. 8vo. pp. 86.

Abraham Doolittle and Some of his Descendants. By O. P. ALLEN, Palmer, Mass. Newport, R. I.: R. H. Tilley. 1893. 8vo. pp. 38. Price 60 cents. To be obtained of the Author.

The Groton Averys. Christopher and James, the Founders of the Family. By ELROY M. AVERY. 1893. 8vo. pp. 20.

Supplement to the Magoun Memorial. By SAMUEL BRECK, U. S. A., Governor's Island, New York city. 1893. 8vo. pp. 14.

The Sharpes. Devoted to the History, Genealogy and Literature of the Sharpes. Published monthly. Price $1 a year. Each number contains 8 pages. Address, W. C. Sharpe, Seymour, Conn.

We continue in this number our quarterly list of works relating to genealogy recently published.

The Parker genealogy makes a volume of over five hundred pages. The emigrant ancestor of this family was Thomas Parker, who embarked for New England in the Susan and Ellen in April, 1635 (REGISTER vol. 14, page 309). He first settled at Lynn, and removed thence to Reading, where he died August 12, 1683, aged about 74. His son Hananiah had a son John born at Reading, August 3, 1664, who removed to Lexington, where he died Jan. 22, 1741. To his descendants this volume is chiefly devoted. The book seems to be compiled in a very thorough manner, and is well printed and well indexed. "Some of the features of the volume are a twenty-five page biography of Rev. Theodore Parker, the world-famed theologian; also an interesting description and history of the Lexington Parker homestead from 1712, from the able pen of Theodore Parker

himself. Another part contains the copies of the official Massachusetts Revolutionary records of the service of all the descendants of Dea. Thomas Parker mentioned in the book; the value and regard for which records should appeal to all patriotic descendants." The book is embellished with thirteen engravings, mostly portraits.

The book on the Family of John Sullivan of Berwick, Maine, is compiled chiefly from papers collected by the late Hon. Thomas C. Amory, an industrious antiquary of Boston, by his niece Miss G. E. Meredith, who says in the preface to the work: "In 1889 I was requested to arrange the papers left by my uncle, the late T. C. Amory. I had been accustomed for years to hear him talk of the genealogical questions in which he was interested. On making, at the suggestions of two of my cousins, the present book from his Sullivan collection, I have tried to put his materials in convenient order for any member of the family who may share Mr. Amory's taste, and may wish to complete what he began." The compiler has done her work in a very satisfactory manner, and the book, which is handsomely printed and bound, is a fitting monument to a family which has borne a high place in the history of this country. John Sullivan of Berwick came to New England in 1723, from Limerick in Ireland. He had sons Major General John Sullivan, president of New Hampshire, and James Sullivan, governor of Massachusetts. The pedigrees by Sir Bernard Burke, printed in this volume, traces the family back to the O'Sullivans of Ardea. A few copies of the book, we understand, remain undistributed and may be purchased at three dollars each of Miss Meridith, P.O. Box 3324.

The Dolbeare Family is by Mr. Arthur Dimon Osborne of New Haven, Conn. John Dolbeare, to whose descendants the book is devoted, was the son of Edmund Dolbeare, who came with his family about the year 1678 from Ashburton in Devonshire and settled in Boston. A genealogical letter about the family was communicated by Mr. Edward D. Harris to the REGISTER for January last (*ante* pp. 24-7) and is reprinted in this book. The compiler has visited Hereford Cathedral and obtained extracts from the register and a rubbing of the brass of Sir Richard Dolbeare. A photograph of this brass and other illustrations are given. The book is beautifully printed.

The Woolworth Genealogy, as stated in the title page, is devoted to the descendants of Richard Woolworth, of Newbury, Mass. and Suffield, Conn. Mrs. Woolworth, the principal compiler, has been engaged for thirteen years in collecting material for the work. She and her daughter have been very successful in collecting material and compiling the volume. They have made a very useful and handsome volume.

The Howes Genealogy has quite a full record of the descendants of Thomas Howes who came to New England about 1637, settled at Nebscussett in Yarmouth, Mass. in Plymouth Colony, in March 1639, and died in 1665 aged 75. Thomas Howes brought with him his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Burr. They are said to have come from Norfolk County, Eng. A large number of descendants of this couple have been collected by the compiler and their records are printed in this book. Much credit is due to Mr. Howes.

Mr. Deacon, of Bridgeport. Ct., in his book on the ancestors of Rodman Stoddard (who was the maternal grandfather of the author's children), gives brief accounts of the families of Stoddard, Ware, Downing, Wiliis, Curtis, Walker, Judson, Winthrop and Sherman. He dedicates his book to his children "in the hope that the contemplation of the zeal, fidelity and patriotism of their ancestors may inspire them to a useful life and faithful citizenship." The book is well compiled and is illustrated with engravings and a tabular pedigree.

The account of the Doolittle family by Mr. Allen gives many of the descendants of Abraham Doolittle, one of the original settlers of New Haven, Ct. Mr. Doolittle's wife was Joane, daughter of James Allen of Kempton, Beds. (see REGISTER, vol. 46, p. 330). The compiler has done his work in a creditable manner. The pamphlet is reprinted from the Magazine of New England History, and is embellished with portraits.

The pamphlet on the Avery family is well compiled, handsomely printed, and is illustrated with several fine engravings. It is "not published."

The Supplement to the Magoun Memorial, by Brevet Brig.-Gen. Samuel Breck, U.S.A., is intended for an appendix to his volume entitled "Descendants of Aaron and Mary (Church) Magoun," noticed by us in April 1892 (REGISTER, vol. 46, pp. 202, 204). It contains interesting matter.

Two numbers of "The Sharpes," heretofore noticed, have recently been received, namely Nos. 6 and 7 for June and July, 1893. Items of interest relative to the Sharpes are solicited by the compiler, Mr. W. C. Sharpe of Seymour, Ct.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY TO JULY 15, 1893.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

The Career of Benjamin Franklin. A paper read before the American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia. May 25, 1893, by Samuel Abbott Green, M.D. Groton, Mass., 1893. 8vo. pp. 22.

Remarks on Nonacoicus, the Indian name of Major Willard's Farm at Groton, Mass., by Samuel A. Green, M.D. 8vo. pp. 4.

Harvard College, Class of 1843. Semi-Centennial Meeting and Dinner, June 27, 1893. By Hon. Wm. A. Richardson. 8vo. pp. 8.

Fressingfield Porch and Pews. By Rev. John James Raven, D.D., F.S.A. 8vo. pp. 5.

Woburn Records of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Part V. Deaths 1873-1890. Arranged by Edward F. Johnson. Woburn, Mass. 1893. 8vo. pp. 180.

Sermon preached by Rev. Edmund B. Willson, on Henry Wheatland, M.D. Salem. 1893. 8vo. pp. 17.

II. *Other Publications.*

The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography. Vol. I., No. 1. Proceedings of the Virginia Historical Society. Richmond, Va. 1893. 8vo. pp. 112.

Proceedings of the Worcester Society of Antiquity for the year 1892. No. XL. Worcester. 1893. 8vo. pp. 154.

Essex Institute Collections, Jan. to Sept. 1893. Vol. XXIX. 3 Nos. Salem. 1893. 8vo.

Bulletin of the Essex Institute. Vol. 23. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 12. Vol. 25. Nos. 1, 2. 3, 4, 5, 6.

Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society. Sixth Series. Vol. VI. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. xxii.+135.

Bulletin of the Public Library of the City of Boston, April, 1893, and Supplement Boston, 1893. 4to. pp. 90, 76.

The Lawrencian. Centennial number Lawrence Academy. June, 1893. Fitchburg. 1893. 4to. pp. 28.

Rebellion War Record. Series 1. Vol. XLI. Pt. 2. Washington. 1893. 8vo. pp. 1238.

History of Somerville Fire Department. From 1842–1892. By H. H. Easterbrook. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. 100.

A Sermon on the Death of David Clapp. By Rev. A. E. George. Boston. 1893. 12mo. pp. 14.

Maryland and North Carolina in the Campaign of 1780–81. By Edward Graham Daves. Baltimore. 1893. 8vo. pp. 100.

One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary, Congregational Church, Hollis, N. H. Bristol, N. H. 1893. 8vo. pp. 62.

Catalogue of The Phillips Exeter Academy. 1892–3. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. 33.

Minutes adopted by the John F. Slater Trustees, in commemoration of the services of Hon. Rutherford B. Hayes. 1893. 8vo. pp. 7.

Dartmouth Necrology. By John M. Comstock. Hanover, N. H. 1893. 8vo. pp. 26.

Tribute to the Columbian Year by the City of Worcester. Worcester. 1893. 4to. pp. 200.

Second Annual Report of the Trustees of Public Reservations. 1892. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. 78.

Undergraduate Life Sixty Years Ago. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. 14.

Manual of the First Church. Dover, N. H. No. VI. Dover, N. H. 1893. 12mo. pp. 60.

Report of the Secretary of the Class of 1863 of Harvard College. Cambridge. 1893. 8vo. pp. 104.

Index to the Collections of the Maine Historical Society, Vols. I. to IX. Portland, Maine: Brown Thurston Company, Printers. 1891. 8vo. pp. 312.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PRINCE'S PAMPHLET ON ROSIER'S NARRATIVE OF WEYMOUTH'S VOYAGE.—In 1860 Mr. George Prince printed at Bath, Maine, a pamphlet in which he gave reasons for believing that George's River was the river explored by Weymouth. Mr. Prince has lately presented to the New-England Historic Geneological Society a bound copy of that work, with additions in manuscript and print. In the pamphlet published in 1860 he re-printed James Rosier's first edition of his narrative, originally printed at London in 1605. Mr. Prince, in the preface to the volume presented to the Society, says of Rosier and the 1605 Narrative:

"He calls these minutes from his sea-journal, *a brief summe, a brief relation*, and says distinctly that he purposely *omitted* certain parts which might inform foreign nations of the locality. I printed this, thirty-three years ago. I have now had printed Rosier's second edition, which he calls *Extracts*. It was prepared by him and copied from his sea-journal in 1625 for the great work of Samuel Purchas in five large quarto volumes. It will be seen that they are very similar, as of course they would be, on the same subject and from the same pen. This second edition contains some of those items that he omitted from his first edition, the latitude, the variation, the direction in which his discovered virer lay from Monhegan, and other items of much interest to the public."

TOWN HISTORIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons having facts or documents relating to any of these towns are advised to send them at once to the person engaged in writing the history of that town:

Deerfield, Mass.—Hon. George Sheldon of Deerfield is revising his History of Deerfield, published several years ago in the Greenfield *Gazette and Courier*, and will bring it out in two large volumes. He has added several hundred pages.

Kittery and Berwick, Maine.—Dr. William B. Lapham and Mr. John F. Hill of Augusta, Me., purpose to publish a history of the town of Kittery, to include a history of Berwick from the first settlement of the Pascataqua country to the time of the separation of Berwick as a town in 1715, and to contain the history of Kittery, including the town of Eliot, down to the present time. They intend so far as possible to give an account of all the early settlers, both biographical and genealogical, and of all prominent citizens to the present time. The history of Kittery dates back to early colonial days when a settlement was made at Newichwannock within the limits of ancient Kittery under the authority of Capt. John Mason and his associates of the Laconia Company. The work will be published in parts, of 112 octavo pages each, and will be consecutively paged, so that when completed the numbers can be bound into volumes. The price will be seventy-five cents a part, payable on delivery. The edition will be limited to a very few copies above the number subscribed for, and persons desiring to secure the book should subscribe at once. The book will be printed on the best of paper, and will be illustrated, but as illustrations, and especially portraits, must be furnished without expense to the publishers, the number cannot now be stated.

LIST OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF VIRGINIA.—The *Richmond Dispatch* has a department devoted to "Queries and Answers," which is proving very useful to historical students. We copy from the issue of July 16 the following communication from the indefatigable Mr. Brock, which shows that he is doing good service in collecting material for the history of Virginia. We hope some of our readers may be able to help him:

"My thanks are due to you again for a number of gratifying responses to my query under the caption 'Virginia Almanacs' in your issue of the 25th ultimo. I have now at my command for the purpose before indicated the publication of the list of members of the Cabinet and of the legislative bodies of Virginia from its settlement to the present day—lists printed and in MS. and almanacs for the fol-

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The value of a complete list of the executive and legislative bodies of Virginia for historical and genealogical purposes may not be overestimated. The State could not make a more judicious or useful expenditure than in such a publication, which might be annotated. I would be obliged in any lists not comprehended above or would be glad to copy any list in almanac loaned me. Address me personally or as below.

R. A. Brock,
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It may safely be claimed, in behalf of antiquarian research, that there is no nobler field for literary labor than that in which is gleaned and recorded—either in the form of Biography, Genealogy, or History—the true nobility of a worthy ancestry. Out of this field, in the beginning of the last year, have come to us two works of such considerable size and value as to render them somewhat phenomenal contributions to the annals of the Colony and State of Connecticut. We refer to Dr. Stiles' Revised Edition of the *History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor*,* and to Prof. and Mrs. Salisbury's *Family-Histories and Genealogies*, connected mostly with the old town of Lyme, Conn.

Both of these towns—Windsor at the head of navigation on the Connecticut River, and Lyme (then a part of Saybrook) near to its mouth, upon the seaboard—were of nearly the same date of settlement; both were peculiarly rich in the inheritance of that "best blood" (middle-class), which gave and still gives to Old England its stalwart strength among the nations of the earth; both were "mother-towns," sending forth colony after colony into the wilderness beyond them; and of both it may be said, even to the present day, that they are abundantly honored in their children in this fair land. Consequently, the simultaneous

* The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut, 1635–1891. By Henry R. Stiles, A.M., M.D..... Hartford, Conn., 1892. 2 vols. royal octavo.

appearance of two such works as those above-mentioned is an event of no small interest, not only to the many whose descent is derived from these two towns, but as strongly indicative of that wider appreciation of the value of such books which now obtains in the present generation of Americans.

It is, however, more particularly of Prof. and Mrs. Salisbury's remarkable volumes that we wish to speak, in the present instance; since, both as regards their extent, accuracy, minute and loving detail and charming literary style, no less than for the superb luxuriousness of their mechanical make-up, they are, in every respect, remarkable. The five quarto volumes under present notice may be considered as supplementary to the two volumes of a similar character printed by Prof. Salisbury in 1885, and which dealt chiefly with the genealogical lines of his own descent. Together they present a most remarkable instance of similarity of tastes and of felicitous literary co-operation between man and wife; and irresistibly suggest the wish that the same loving hands may, in due course of time, present us with a *History of Lyme, Ct.*, for which, indeed, these volumes seem to form a natural ground-work and preparation.

The wish to which we have thus given expression, and which we are sure will be echoed by all who consult these volumes, is greatly stimulated by the very appetizing Preface and "Introductory Notes on Lyme," in the first volume of these Family-Histories. In this the author aptly remarks that "No one can ever know how much of heroic struggle and devotion to duty and affection, in the lives of the settlers of our old towns, has been hidden and lost in the lapse of time. 'They had no poet, and died.'" True! they "had no poet" then; but in these latter days the Lord hath raised up these "veracious chroniclers," who have saved their memories to us and to our children, for our edification and strengthening. And every page of these Genealogies furnishes absolute proof of the fitness of the same chroniclers to give us a history of this grand old Connecticut town.

In the *MacCurdy*, *Mitchell*, *Buchanan* genealogies we are treated to some most delightful glimpses of the characteristics of the Scotch and Scotch-Irish race, whose successive immigrations (beginning about 1720), into America brought to our colonial era a new accession of back-bone, and a little later added to the establishing of our newly-won liberties "the creed, the spirit of resistance and the courage of the Covenanters," fully justifying Lord Montjoy's remark (in 1784) that "America was lost to the English Crown by Irish emigrants."

John McCurdy, of a family once prominent in the Isles of Bute, in the West of Scotland, emigrated (æ. 21) in 1745, from Ireland; settled at Lyme in 1752, and married Anne Lord, whose decision of character over-ruled the very natural disfavor with which her father regarded her Irish lover. A man of great public spirit, enterprise and benevolence, an active patriot in the Revolution, McCurdy became one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of his county. A stout Presbyterian and "always catechising his family on Sunday night, he was wont to include his daughters' suitors, whose visits were at the usual courting-time of the period. This practice could have given little alarm to young men already well drilled in the Catechism; but we can think of nothing which would more effectually disperse the lovers of the present day!" These daughters, educated at New York and Philadelphia, were ladies of elegance and dignity, yet well versed in all practical details of housewifery. They had great beauty. One of them married the famous Rev. Dr. Nathan Strong of Hartford; another was the wife of Rev. Henry Channing of New London, whose nephew William Ellery Channing was taken into his house after the death of his father, and from there sent to Harvard College at the expense of his aunt Sarah (McCurdy) Channing, who had inherited a large estate from her father. Another daughter of Mr. McCurdy, wife of Capt. Elisha Hart, was the mother of seven daughters known as "the beautiful Miss Harts," one of whom was the wife of Commodore Isaac Hull. The biography of Judge Charles Johnson McCurdy, in this monograph, is a carefully considered and most felicitous tribute of filial affection from the pen of his daughter Mrs. Salisbury.

The *Mitchell* family of Chester, Conn. (descendants of William of Glasgow and Agnes Buchanan his wife, settlers of 1755) derived from an ancestry which suffered much for conscience-sake in Scotland; while Agnes Buchanan was an aunt of the Rev. Claudius Buchanan, the eminent Scottish missionary to India. This William Mitchell was a brother of James Mitchell of Wethersfield, Conn., who was the father of Chief Justice Stephen Mix Mitchell, and great-grandfather of Donald Grant Mitchell, the author.

Among the families commemorated in these volumes is a group of distinguished English origin, namely: Digby, from Elizabeth Digby, granddaughter of Simon Digby of Bedale, executed for high treason in the reign of Elizabeth, and a near relative of John Digby first earl of Bristol; Willoughby, from Deputy-Governor Francis Willoughby, who settled in Charlestown, Mass., in 1638; Newdigate, from John Newdigate, settled in Boston 1632; Ogden, from John Ogden, the pioneer settler of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Marvin, from Reinold Marvin of Lyme; Clarke, from Hon. Daniel Clarke of Windsor, Conn., and his brothers; Lord, from Thomas Lord of Hartford, 1635; Pitkin, from William Pitkin of East Hartford; Locke, Cole, Bond, Swayne, Lee, Drake, Griswold and Wolcott, most of them from well-known heraldic families of landed proprietors in England. The three last-named families have also received new examination and enlargement in Dr. Stiles's Windsor History; and may well congratulate themselves that they have been thus simultaneously and so thoroughly exploited from two such competent sources of authority. In regard to the English connections of the Griswold and Drake emigrant ancestors, both these authorities seem, in the main, to agree; though the Salisbury book presents for the Drake ancestry a stronger claim of direct social distinction in England than is, perhaps, claimed for it in the Windsor book. While we have no absolute information as to the social position and pecuniary means of John Drake, the emigrant in England, our best assurance that he possessed both is to be found, perhaps, in the fact that, in the little Windsor community—thoroughly imbued, as it must have been in that generation, with respect for social position and rank as it existed in the land of their birth*—John Drake seems to have been an honored citizen, with good means for the period; and his son Job, a shoemaker,† esteemed a worthy husband for the daughter of Mr. Henry Wolcott, who was Windsor's most eminent and wealthiest man.

We have, also, in these Family-Histories, a most interesting group of families of European Continental origin, such as *Diodati*—(Deus dedit), a high family tracing back through English and Swiss lines to the Italy of the Middle Ages—and first in America in 1715 or 1717; *Mei*, of the Mei family of Lucca; *De Wolf*,‡ from Balthazar of Wethersfield, Ct., 1664, and Lyme, 1684, whose child was "bewitched to death" by Nicholas and Margaret Young—according to extant records of the Particular Court of Connecticut, a branch of which family removed from Lyme to Nova Scotia, 1760; and another branch to Bristol, Rhode Island; *Parmelin*, since Parmelee, probably of Swiss origin, from John Parmelin, a first settler of Guilford, Ct. 1639, who was of Rev. Whitfield's party from Counties Surrey, Kent, and Essex, and who went with Gov. Eaton to New Haven; *Lynde*, of Dutch origin (probably the Belgic family of Van der Linden), a family which gave to Massachusetts Colony a famous succession of Judges and Chief Justices, and which is a markedly *legal* family to the present day; *Hoo*, which to us appears to be of Dutch origin, though our authors credit it to an old English (Saxon—locale, Kent,) stock§—perhaps afterwards identical with the name of *Hawes*, and *Howes*.

* The line of descent of John Drake of Windsor, Connecticut, given in Dr. Stiles's History of Windsor, is *identically the same* as that given in the Salisbury book, but in the latter it is amplified. The Plantagenet descent of John Drake is given, and the marriages of these Drakes with the Grenville or Granville, Prideaux, Champernon, Gilbert, Deny, Raleigh, Fortescue, the Duke of Marlborough and many other ancient families and persons of distinction are mentioned. John Drake of Windsor was great nephew of Queen Elizabeth's famous commander Sir Bernard Drake; and he was related to many other of her most distinguished naval and military men. The pedigrees used were furnished to Mr. and Mrs. Salisbury by Sir William Richard Drake and Rev. W. T. Tyrwhitt Drake, present representatives of the family in England, the latter of whom wrote: "It will give me great pleasure to be useful in the genealogy of the American branch of the family."

† It is well known that in the time of the early generations of the settlers there was little call for the learned professions, except that of the ministry, while there was a constant demand for the various trades which sustain social life. Many of the settlers, previously unused to handicrafts, learned them before they came over, to fit themselves for the necessities of their new conditions as colonists. Others were obliged to learn them here. The Drakes ranked with the best Windsor families.

‡ A William de Wolve was witness to a deed in England in 1066. Arms are given, by Burke, to a De Wolfe family in England. Balthazar De Wolf established himself with the early English settlers in Lyme, wrote a good English hand, and took part with them in town affairs as one of them. There is no evidence that his family were of recent foreign origin, though some of his descendants have that impression.

§ The Saxon family of Hoo, described in "Family-Histories and Genealogies," which settled

All these genealogies are abundantly fortified by notes and references to authorities; and interspersed with such a delicious infinity of minor details of biography, personal characteristics and antiquarian commentary, as to render them of interest even to the general reader. They are (Vol. III.) further illustrated by the twenty-nine (folded) Pedigree-charts of the above named and other families (including two Pedigree-charts of Combined Descents), bearing the coats-of-arms of the respective families, and elegantly printed on bank-note paper. Prefixed to Vol. III., as a motto, are these words of Prof. Goode on the Scientific Value of Genealogical Facts: "The time is coming when the sociologist and the historian will make an extensive use of the facts so laboriously and systematically classified by genealogists."

Of the external appearance of these volumes it can be truly said that they are sumptuous. With a personal knowledge of nearly all of the many hundred family-histories published in the United States, for the past fifty years or more (many of which have been elegant and costly), we hesitate not to place these volumes at the head of the list, as specimens of the "Art Preservative" of all arts. After launching upon the sea of Literature two such noble vessels as the Histories of 1885 and 1892, we may venture to renew the expression of a hope that Prof. and Mrs Salisbury will not "rest upon their oars". H. R. S.*

The Life of George Mason, 1725–1792. By KATE MASON ROWLAND. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. The Knickerbocker Press, 1892. Two volumes, 8vo. Vol. I. pp. 454; Vol. II. pp. 527. Price $8.

These two volumes present the main facts in the career of an eminent American statesman and patriot of the Revolution. A Virginian by birth and training, he was the immediate neighbor of Washington. Their estates joined in part, and both fronted on the river Potomac. They were friends from youth, Mason being seven years the elder. There was a bond of sympathy between them in respect to social position and business activities, and also in principles of conduct and standards of life. In the inception and prosecution of the war of the Revolution they were in full accord, and while they were at variance politically late in Mason's life, as to the adoption of the Federal constitution, this circumstance did not disturb their amicable social relations. Mason's Virginian contemporaries in public affairs, seemingly without exception, have borne testimony to his excellence in those qualities which make up the ideal of a statesman; to his learning, and his zeal and fidelity in the public cause. He is known in the record distinctively as "George Mason of Gunston," or, sometimes, more specifically, "of Gunston Hall," the one appellation being that of the estate and the other that of the mansion where he dwelt. The loss of many manuscripts, letters, and, in some instances, public records by fire, or otherwise, has prevented the preparation of what, in strictness, might be called a complete biography of him. But diligence and friendly zeal have rescued much in the way of data that is perfectly authentic and clearly adequate for the proper limning of his character and life work, and thus, in the hands of his present biographer, he has been made to appear to this and the succeeding generations a distinct and impressive historical figure. The volumes bear evidence that the search has been thorough, and there appears to be no reason to suppose that anything important can ever be added. For this reason, and because of their literary merit and general historical instructiveness, they will have rank in their proper category in American standard literature.

Considerable space is given in the first volume to the ancestry of the subject, whose great-grandfather was also George Mason, a colonel in the army of the king at the battle of Worcester. That defeat prompted Mason's flight to America. In Virginia the heads of the family, from the beginning, appear to

in Kent, are traced from the time of Henry I. In the reign of Henry III. they are mentioned as seated in Suffolk; in 1286, in Bedfordshire. In 1292 Robert de Hoo, the supposed ancestor of the Hoos in this work, who married Beatrix daughter of Alexander Earl of Anderville in Normandy, held lands in Herts., Bedford, Cambridge and Oxford. His grandson, Sir Thomas de Hoo, through his wife the heiress of John Lord de St. Leger, held large estates in Sussex, Northamptonshire and Herts. He was followed by a succession of descendants who held large possessions in many counties, including Norfolk and Suffolk. In the line of the Suffolk branch descended Joane Hoo, the mother of John Newdigate of Boston.

* The foot-notes are by another hand.

have been men of large proprietorship in land, and in each generation were public characters in the councils of peace or war. The first George Mason was manifestly a sturdy monarchist. His descendant of the fourth generation was not less distinctively a republican in his political doctrines and theories, and, as the narrative shows, became a republican in action and eventually one in the party sense. He is described in his early manhood as a planter and philosopher, a recluse rather than a politician, and as having reluctantly gone into the public arena. He had, for the period and the situation, an extensive library, in which among the works mentioned were those of Locke, Sydney, Montesquieu, Machiavelli and Junius. The presence of others of the great doctrinaires may be inferred. He was not a man to buy books for the mere ornamentation of his rooms, and, therefore, when the political crisis approached, was duly prepared to become, what he is described to have been, "the pen of the Revolution in Virginia."

Another phrase of panegyric applied to him, and deservedly, was "the Constitution maker." The Virginia bill of rights and the first draft for a constitution of the State (which latter was but slightly modified by the convention), were unquestionably of his authorship. The bill of rights was written by him probably earlier than May 17, and certainly earlier than May 27, 1776. In either case it antedates all others in the history of the United States. Jefferson in the Declaration of Independence repeated its cardinal maxims and adopted many of its phrases. That the Massachusetts bill of rights is framed upon the model of that of Virginia is the statement of Bancroft, the historian; and Mason himself, in enclosing, in 1778, a copy to a friend in London, avows the authorship and remarks, "This was the first thing of the kind upon the continent, and has been closely imitated by all the States." It has been continued without change at the head of each of the three Constitutions which Virginia has adopted. The original constitution is also preferred, at this day, by many Virginians, to either of its successors. When the first revision was made by a convention in 1829 John Randolph of Roanoke, a delegate, appeared in each day's session with crape on his hat and sleeves, "in mourning," as he said, "for the old constitution."

In the Convention of 1776 which adopted that constitution Mason was the master spirit, though Patrick Henry is to be reckoned in many respects his peer. Madison, who was also a member, was then but 25 years of age. In some sense Mason was in the public service of Virginia, as member of the Legislature or otherwise, during the interval between that date and the assembling of the Federal constitutional convention in 1787. In becoming a member of this latter body he found himself to be, as he distinctly intimates, in a company of luminaries. In a letter written soon after the opening of the sessions, he says, "America has certainly, upon this occasion, drawn forth her first characters; there are upon this convention many gentlemen of the most respectable abilities, and, so far as I can discover, of the purest intentions." The word "respectable" as thus used had, at that date, as is well known, a stronger significance than present usage gives it, and the phrase has all the force of that preceding, "first characters." It is manifest not only that Mason had great weight in the convention, but that he went hand in hand, cordially, with the majority till near the end of the proceedings, and was as much a "Federalist" as any. Certain changes made in the constitution in the closing stage aroused his opposition, which he never afterwards forebore; and he was one of the three delegates in the convention who refused to sign the document when finally engrossed.

This opposition was nominally a defence of "state rights," and the matter is so set forth in the biography. The author is at some pains to show that the political principles herein avowed by Mason were identical with those with which the secessionists entered upon the war in 1861. She goes farther and ranks many of the leading Virginians of 1787 in the same category with Jefferson Davis and his coadjutors, naming especially Mason, Henry, R. H. Lee, Jefferson and Madison. While it is admitted that in 1787, and later, Madison was a Federalist, it is claimed that eventually he took the side of state rights. This phrase "state rights" is used, however, in a broader than the literal sense, and in one connection the author supplements it with another which brings out nearly the full meaning, where she speaks of certain words of the constitution as having been perverted to serve "as an argument against state rights and the doctrine of secession." While in the formal declarations of the leaders of

secession and in certain utterances and writings of the Virginians above named there may be an identity of phraseology, it may be held to be an unwarrantable inference that these men of 1787, who were subject to a particular condition of things and a particular set of apprehensions, as to dangers then threatening, would approve the action of those who began war in 1861, surrounded by quite other conditions and apprehending perils and losses of quite another sort. But whatever opinions the reader may hold as to the merits of the political controversy involved in the civil war, the relation here given of the action of George Mason and others, in the formative period of the Federal constitution, is highly instructive, and will be helpful in making clear the progress of events as more broadly stated in the pages of general history.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

Collections of the Connecticut Historical Society, Vol. IV. *The Talcott Papers: Correspondence and Documents (chiefly official) during Joseph Talcott's Governorship of Connecticut.* Vol. I. 1724–86. Edited by MARY K. TALCOTT. Hartford: Published by Conn. Hist. Soc. 1892.

It is very unsafe to pronounce any space of local history dull or unfruitful in advance. Connecticut antiquarians themselves have always regarded the period after the close of the French-Jesuit aggressions early in the 18th century, and before the French and Indian war, as little more than a time of material expansion, with few salient or pregnant incidents. The very Society which issues this volume thought it unlikely to prove of great importance. It turns out to be of a great deal, and of curious interest and even novelty in a variety of ways. Nowhere can one gain a clearer view of the springs which swelled into the torrent of the Revolution. The reader winces with a sense of personal humiliation in seeing men of as great ability, acuteness, force and resolution as any in England itself, compelled to pass their whole political careers in dexterous skulking and elaborate diplomatic "filibustering," with never a hope of relief in open defiance or even sincere objurgation. Being human, they must inwardly have raged over the meanness, as they certainly worried night and day over the insecurity, of the position; and they gladly seized the chance of ending it. A mass of fresh documents and correspondence on the famous Winthrop-Lechmere land-title case brings this into the clearest relief. The whole future of the colony hinged on this case; the first adverse decision, making the British primogeniture law also the law of Connecticut, would have been highly disastrous but for the cool and wary judgment, patience and skill with which the executive of the colony kept the intestate estates unsettled for many years, or got them settled by compromise, in hope of a reversal; and the final reversal after a Massachusetts case had been decided for the colony, though it brought a long sigh of relief, did not undo the alienation of feeling so long cankering in silence. Along the same line was the steady and unfaltering, but very anxious and often despondent effort to keep the transoceanic government from reviewing the colonial laws. Talcott's correspondence with the agents in London makes one share his nervous apprehensions even now; neither of them concealed from themselves the fact that the general government could at any moment, and were quite likely to, declare the charter a mere revokable contract. Politics with them was the art of lulling and steering off a perfectly irresistible but rather clumsy and short-sighted set of masters. The later enforcement of the navigation laws, which lost England the colonies, is plainly prefigured here. Of internal matters, much the most important and novel is the conclusive testimony, in great mass, that the Connecticut government and people not only meant honestly to guard the fair interests and improve the mental and spiritual condition of the remnant of Indians, but that they worked strenuously and steadily to that end. The slurs cast on their good faith are wholly undeserved; some scamps sold the Indians liquor, and others trespassed on their land or stole their crops, but the bulk of the people were neither hypocrites nor robbers. Among other things, the interminable boundary dispute with New York is not more unreadable than the other writings on the subject; the abortive efforts to supply the pressing need of currency are interesting, and the abjectly apologetic letter of the Bishop of London to the Governor, asking that Episcopalians may not have to pay taxes to the Congregational Church, is curious and notable; and the letter of that village Machiavelli, Capt. James Packer of New London, on taking advantage of Mas-

sachusetts' "hard times," is worth the price of the book. The personal element is of great interest. Talcott himself wins high respect; not a man of surface brilliancy, but much of Washington's stamp, an upright, laborious, solid, skilful administrator, seeking the best counsel and able to profit by it. Wilkes and Belcher are what they are elsewhere; the former an honorable, kindly, capable man of business; the latter a coarse-natured and bragging politician, with a strong tinge of the blackmailer in him—truculent half-disguised threats are forever cropping out. Much of the most valuable matter in the book has been gathered by the editor, Miss Talcott, in addition to that previously in possession of the Society; and her extremely thorough and copious annotation has added greatly to its usefulness, making it intelligible to every reader without further research. Its coming accords most happily with the Winthrop Papers of the Massachusetts Historical Society. The second volume will be welcomed.

By Forest Morgan, Esq., of Hartford.

History of the Handel and Haydn Society, of Boston, Massachusetts, Vol. 1. From the foundation of the Society through its seventy-fifth season, 1815–1890. Chapters, I.–III. By CHARLES C. PERKINS. Chapters IV–XV. By JOHN S. DWIGHT. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers, 1888–1893.

The authors of this work, Mr. Charles C. Perkins and Mr. John S. Dwight, have produced a carefully written and valuable addition to musical literature. The great work accomplished by the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston is well known and recognized. The members love music not only for its own sake, but for the great good that it can do in ennobling and uplifting human nature, and ever strive to give the best work of the great composers to the public, knowing that to be the best way to elevate the public taste.

The following passage from "Luther's Table Talk" is quoted at the beginning of the Introduction to the book before us: "Next unto theology I give the place and highest honour to musick, for thereby all anger is forgotten, the devil is driven away, unchastity, pride, and other blasphemies are expelled."

High words of praise indeed, but none too high. Rightly does Luther rank music next to theology as a means of purifying human nature. In the world, where there are continual temptations to turn aside and labor too much for the meat which perisheth, even perhaps for the useless and hurtful things of life, the mind, the heart of man needs to be frequently reminded of the higher things (the only tangible things) of life, of eternity itself. Men take, and should take, due care for their temporal affairs, but in the incessant rush and hurry of life, the constant demands upon us, is there not grave danger that we may dimly see, perhaps, alas, even lose of sight of, the spiritual life? As Christianity plainly teaches that there can be no sound and enduring basis for right living without right thinking, in a word that belief precedes action, so the emotional nature, another great source of the spiritual life, needs to be fed and stimulated as well. The ideal life is the only real life. All other phases of life are as perishable as the vapor that vanisheth. Religion is a matter of the heart as well as of the head. And properly-guided emotion, enthusiasm, is absolutely necessary to its highest, fullest development. Surely next to right belief comes fervor and warmth of heart. Christian feeling and aspiration may not reach its goal through the reasoning faculties alone, but rather through the quicker and surer means of the religious affections. Thought is often complex, not so impulse. No great movement for the benefit of mankind was ever carried to a successful issue without this underlying, all-permeating principle of enthusiasm. No force in the world, no power of darkness, can cope with rightly-grounded enthusiasm. Emotionalism crystallizes thought into action, and makes it the most powerful force in the present and for all time. And to this grand faculty sacred music ministers unceasingly. It makes for all that is true, beautiful and enduring, even for righteousness itself.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Cambridge.

Good Old Dorchester. A Narrative History of the Town, 1630–1893. By WILLIAM DANA ORCUTT. Cambridge: Published by the Author. John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1893. 8vo. pp. 497. Price $4 in maroon cloth, or $5 in white vellum cloth, gilt top. For sale by George E. Littlefield, 67 Cornhill, Boston.

This work, as the title indicates, is a narrative history of Dorchester during

its entire existence. The author has done well to cause the book to be printed in its present form. Although there must be, necessarily, much that has before seen the light, he has introduced many new points. These will be readily recognized by those familiar with Dorchester history. The matter contained in four of the chapters of the book are designated: "Colonial Times, 1630–1688"; "Provincial Times, 1689–1783"; "The Revolution to the Rebellion, 1784–1860"; "Modern Times, 1861–1893."

In this brief notice it is unnecessary to hint to the readers of the REGISTER the importance of a book, in design and execution containing so much vital to the historian, especially in regard to the incipiency, history and progress of our free schools, as also our municipal and ecclesiastical governments. These subjects of themselves are sufficient, one would think, to recommend a careful rereading and recital; for Dorchester lays claim, as is well known, to the free school, a model town government, early mills, &c., from Israel Stoughton, in 1634, down to the present time, including the famous chocolate mills of Walter Baker & Company.

The History of Dorchester, published by a committee of the Dorchester Antiquarian and Historical Society, in 1859, largely in the shape of Annals, is nearly out of print, and the price is enhanced. It was intended, in a great measure, for a book of reference rather than for consecutive reading; a repository of facts, names and dates. The late Hon. James Savage used to say, "books are not made to read, but to be used for reference." Taking this view, the Dorchester history of 1859, as far as it goes, would perhaps be considered quite as valuable as the book of 1893, while the latter might be thought more attractive, in the general acceptation of the term, and not the less readable. All this may be said without the least disparagement to the former volume. Both have their place, and may each properly stand side by side on the shelves of the students of American history.

Mr. Orcutt has furnished for his book portraits of Richard Mather, William Stoughton, Capt. John Percival, Edward Everett, Thaddeus Mason Harris, John Codman, Nathaniel Hall, Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., and Lucy Stone. The anecdotes, reminiscences and biographical sketches presented serve as a counterpart, to some extent, to the dry details, if they may so be called. The histories of the early homes are interesting and entertaining. The illustrations, about fifty in number, include portraits, views, churches, old houses, &c., fac-simile signatures to the school document of 1641, and other autographs of individuals of former times. The cut entitled "A view of the Watering Place at Tinian," in the East Indies, on page 412, taken from an old work called "The World Displayed," printed in Dublin, Ireland, in 1779, suggests the probably correct spelling of a familiar point of land in Dorchester, looking seaward.

It gives us pleasure to commend this volume to the favorable attention of the public. The paper, print, and fine margins of the book, coming from the well-known University Press, are all that the most fastidious lover of nice books need desire. It has also a good index.

By William B. Trask, A.M., of Dorchester, Mass.

Customs and Fashions in Old New England. By ALICE MORSE EARLE. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. 1893. 12mo. pp. 387. Price $1.25.

The author of that interesting and instructive book, "The Sabbath in Puritan New England," needs no introduction to the American public. So far as may be inferred from a necessarily rather hasty examination of Mrs. Earle's latest work, it would appear that it fully sustains her reputation for careful and extensive research in the annals of our dearly-loved New England. This book will be gladly welcomed and eagerly read by New-England people, and by all whose honest pride it is to trace their descent from New-England forefathers.

There will be a difference of opinion in regard to the value set by the author on the influence of Puritan belief and action on the history of our native land. While evidently meaning to be just in her estimate, there yet permeates her writings a spirit altogether too common at present among many of our writers, a spirit of depreciation of the grand work wrought by our Puritan ancestors in laying the foundations of our great Republic here in the wilds of the new world. No one can have carefully read our colonial history, at least have carefully measured its results, without making due allowance for the powerful influence of the Puritan spirit in New England and in Old England. It is not too much to say that no other force in that period of history can for a moment

compare with the mighty influence for religious and political freedom exercised by this the then dominant English spirit. Without excusing its excesses, surely we must admit that the reign of Puritanism was necessary in England at a time when the Crown was weak and incapable of protecting its subjects at home or abroad. Puritanism with its stirring note aroused England from her lethargy and restored to the English-speaking race their ancient privileges which they had well-nigh lost; it restored England to her former position of prestige among the European nations; it made possible the building-up in our western world a strong and enduring system of government "of the people, by the people, for the people." No nation can ever cope with the tenacious, the staying qualities of our English race as long as it retains its old-time vigor; no race has so well carried out the idea of civil and religious liberty at home and abroad. The American spirit, the English spirit, stands for loyalty to truth and duty, for firm faith and trust in God.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Cambridge, Mass.

Our Colonial Homes. By SAMUEL ADAMS DRAKE. Boston: Lee & Shepard, Publishers. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. 211. Cloth, full gilt, gilt edges, $2.50; full leather, gilt title, gilt edges, $4.50.

Mr. Drake, who has won an enviable reputation by his previous works as an accurate and graceful writer on antiquarian subjects, has brought forth a timely volume on a subject that is now engrossing much interest among the descendants of American colonial families, particularly the members of the Societies of Colonial Wars, and the Societies of Colonial Dames. They will gladly welcome it. The homes here described are the Hancock house and the home of Paul Revere in Boston; the Cradock house and the Royall house in Medford; Edward Everett's birthplace and the Minot homestead in Dorchester; the Quincy mansion, the Adams mansion and the birthplace of the two Presidents Adams in Quincy; the Old Ship in Hingham; the old Witch house in Salem; the Collins house and the birthplace of Gen. Putnam in Danvers; the last residence of James Otis in Andover; the Wayside Inn in Sudbury; the home of Sir William Pepperrell in Kittery; the early home of John Howard Paine in East Hampton; the old Indian house in Deerfield; the Leonard house in Raynham, and the old Stone house in Guilford.

Mr. Drake, in his Preface, says: "One end which I proposed to myself in this book, besides presenting house and home historically, was to gather up as many distinct types of the colonial architecture of New England as possible, from the rude farm house of the first settlers to the elegant mansions of a later generation; as it seems to me nothing could give half so clear a picture of a century and a half of colonial life."

King's Handbook of New York City: an Outline History and Description of the American Metropolis. With over One Thousand Illustrations from Photographs made expressly for the Work. Planned, Edited and Published by MOSES KING. Boston, Mass.: Second Edition. 1893. 12mo. pp. 1007. Price $2. Sold by Moses King, No. 4 Post Office Square, Boston.

This handsome volume of over one thousand pages, with more than a thousand original engravings direct from photographs, is the second edition, revised, enlarged and improved, of a very useful and handy book. The first edition of the work was published in 1892, and the whole of an edition of ten thousand copies was, we are informed, sold in less than six weeks. This edition consists of twenty thousand copies.

Mr. King has had much experience in preparing such works, and this is decidedly the best that he has produced. Every visitor to New York, and those who wish to study its present condition and its history, should have a copy of the book. The life-long resident of the metropolis of our country can learn much from its pages that it would be difficult to obtain without its aid. It is an admirable hand-book in every respect.

Souvenir of the Sherburne Centennial Celebration, and Dedication of a Monument to the Proprietors and Early Settlers, held Wednesday, June 21, 1893; also Sketches of Families and other Historical Data. Published by MARCIUS D. RAYMOND. Tarrytown, N. Y. 1893. Large 8vo. pp. 111. Price $5. Address, M. D. Raymond, Publisher of The Argus, Tarrytown, N. Y.

Washington at Tarrytown. A Paper read before the Tarrytown Historical Society, Tuesday Eve, December 16, 1890. By MARCIUS D. RAYMOND. Published by the Author by Request. Tarrytown, N. Y. 1893. 8vo. pp. 18.

The centenary of the settlement of Sherburne, N. Y., was celebrated in a fitting manner on the 21st of last June by the dedication of a monument in honor of the early settlers. Mr. Raymond of Tarrytown was chosen the historian of the occasion, and has given us in the volume before us a full report of the proceedings. The edition was limited to 126 copies. After distributing copies to the subscribers to the Forefathers' Memorial Fund, only fifty copies were left for sale, and of these not more than half remain unsold. The book is printed in the best style, and many fine portraits and other engravings illustrate it. There are twenty-three portraits. Those of six of the eleven proprietors have fac-similes of their autographs as they appear on an old deed. The celebration was a very interesting occasion, and the proceedings are fully detailed in this book. The Centennial Oration was by Rev. Lewis R. Foote, D.D., the Historical Address was by the editor, Marcius D. Raymond, and the Centennial Poem was by Philo L. Hatch, M.D.

The second book, whose title is given above, is an account of Washington's connection with Tarrytown, N. Y., from his arrival there in the campaign of 1776 to his last visit to the place in 1783. Much of romantic interest is found in this narrative, which is an interesting addition to our local history.

History of Westminster, Massachusetts (first named Narraganset No. 2), from the date of the Original Grant of the Township to the Present Time—1728–1893. With a Biographic-Genealogical Register of its Principal Families. By WILLIAM SWEETZER HEYWOOD. Lowell, Mass.: Vox Populi Press, S. W. Huse & Co. 1893. 8vo. pp. xvi.+963. Price $4.50.

This bulky volume of nearly one thousand pages, by one of the members of our Society, is a vast storehouse of information relating to the history of Westminster. All the topics which are looked for in a town history are taken up and satisfactorily treated of. The wars with the Indians, with the French, the mother country, and the seceding states, are fully narrated, as are also the ecclesiastical, educational, literary and social history of the place. The biography of natives and residents receives due attention. Much statistical information is given. Genealogy has a liberal share of the book, about four hundred and fifty pages, nearly one half of the volume, being devoted to a "Biographic-Genealogical Record." The work seems to be compiled with care, judgment and good taste, and is well indexed. The engravings are of a high order and are numerous, consisting of two maps, seventeen portraits, and twenty-five landscapes, dwellings, etc. We congratulate the citizens of the town on having so satisfactory a history.

The Poor–Poore Family Gathering at Peabody, Mass., September 10, 1890. Salem: Printed at the Salem Press, 1893. Pamphlet, 8vo. pp. 52.

This was the fourth triennial re-union of this family, and its proceedings are recorded in these well-printed pages, which contain, besides, obituaries of deceased members and a list of attendance, exhibiting relative kinship.

The secretary, Dr. Alfred Poore, of Salem, has been gathering, for the last fifty years, material for a Poor–Poore Genealogy, of which the first volume was published in royal quarto, entitled *John Poore and his Family*. Salem: 1881. The industrious devotion illustrated in long travels and much correspondence expended in the preparation of this initial volume, suggested the formation of an association, as likely to prove valuable in accuracy of statistics, and agreeable in bringing into personal acquaintance widely-scattered individuals of the race. Such an association was formed in 1881 and its benefits have been apparent. The fruits of organization are distributed after every meeting in printed records like the present.

Dr. Poore, in 1858, published *Researches of the Merrimack Valley*, chiefly presenting the genealogy of Richard Bailey, of Rowley, a maternal ancestor. To that was added a department of Notes and Queries relating to the Merrimack Valley, and double-columned pages of Passing Events, Marriages, Deaths, etc. The enterprise deserved a better success than it received, antedating, as it did, all similar publications, except the REGISTER.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A. M., of Somerville, Mass.

The Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, with the National and State Constitutions, 1893. Printed by the Rockwell and Churchill Press, Boston, Mass. 1893. 8vo. pp. 172. Copies of this volume can be purchased of William B. Clarke & Co., 340 Washington Street, Boston, price $2; by mail $2.12.

The Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, who issue this volume, is a branch of the National Society of Washington. The constitutions of both societies are given. Brief sketches of the ancestors of members of the Massachusetts society are given, with the descent of each from "some ancestor who with unfailing loyalty rendered material aid to the cause of American Independence, as a soldier or as a seaman, or a civil officer in one of the several colonies or States, or of the United Colonies, or States as a recognized patriot."

The book is handsomely printed, and is illustrated by fine engravings.

Brampton Sketches: Old-Time New England Life. By MARY B. CLAFLIN. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. 1893. 12mo.

Brampton is another name for the town of Hopkinton, Mass., and the sketches are of events transpiring in that locality. The author reproduces the old-time meeting house, school house, doctor, lawyer, minister, peculiar characters and queer people. The pen pictures are pleasantly drawn. The illustrations, together with the excellent typography, make it an attractive contribution to the literature of a by-gone period in New-England life.

By Hon. Charles Carleton Coffin, A.M., of Boston.

A Slight Sketch of the Life of Caleb Davis Bradlee, D.D., Pastor (pro tem.) of Christ Church, Longwood. By E. R. L., a graduate of Boston University. Boston: Printed, not published. 1893. 8vo. pp. 18.

Dr. Bradlee, whose life is here sketched, has held the offices of corresponding and recording secretary of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and is the author of "Sermons for All Sects" noticed by us in January, 1889, and other publications. His life has been a very useful one, and his ministerial, literary, historical and philanthropic labors are well told in the pamphlet before us. The author, we are informed, is Miss E. R. Lynch of Boston.

Christ Church, Cambridge: Some Account of its History and Present Condition. Especially prepared for Visitors. Cambridge. 1893. Fcp. 4to. pp. 88.

This historical account of Christ Church in Cambridge is by Mr. Samuel F. Batchelder of that city. It contains much valuable and interesting matter relative to this church which was organized in 1759. It is printed in fine style and seems to be carefully compiled.

Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh, New Jersey. With the Registers of Members, Marriages, Baptisms and the Consistories to the beginning of the Nineteenth Century.

Part I. Being the Records in possession of the Church of Hackensack, N. J. Printed for the Society. 1891. Royal 8vo. pp. xxiii.+849.

Part II. Being the Records in possession of the (South) Church of Schraalenburgh, N. J. Printed for the Society. 1891. Royal 8vo. pp. vi.+387.

The two handsome volumes are the first issues of the Collections of the Holland Society of New York, founded in 1885. Soon after the organization of this Society, we are told in the Preface, "The attention of the trustees was called to the importance of securing copies of the records of the ancient Dutch churches of the country. If only for the purpose of tracing the lineage of the descendants of the early Dutch settlers, these records are of great value. The practice of baptizing their children within a very few days of their birth, was almost universal with members of the Dutch Church; and as the baptismal records usually contain, in addition to the father's name, the maiden name of the mother, they afford peculiar aid to the genealogist. Additional value is given to the marriage records by the fact that they frequently mention the birthplaces of the several parties."

"Family names," we are told in the Introduction, "were not common among the Dutch immigrants. Persons of the same baptismal names were distinguished from each other in various ways." Sometimes by their trades, as Jan

Kuyper (John the cooper); sometimes by the place of birth or residence, as Jan Van Wyck (John from Wyck); and at other times by affixing the father's baptismal name with the addition of *s*, *se*, or *sen*, indicating the relationship, as Jan Pieters or Pietersen (John the son of Peter). This makes the study of Dutch genealogy very difficult.

The Holland Society has acted wisely in devoting the two parts of the first volume of the Collections to the records of baptisms and marriages of two of the early Dutch churches, of which fortunately a large portion are preserved to the present time,

The books are well printed, on fine paper, and are thoroughly indexed.

The Story of Mt. Benedict. By B. F. DeCosta. Somerville Citizen Press. 8vo. pp. 14. Pamphlet.

The author writes of scenery familiar to his boyhood and of events in which a member of his family was associated. The narrative very clearly shows the steps taken to suppress this early attempt to establish a convent under the very shadow of Bunker Hill; the community, in its rage against popery, incurring a debt for a succeeding generation to pay with interest. A view of the convent building is reproduced with an impossible background. The site, historically known as Ploughed Hill, will soon be level with the adjacent streets, and the convent with the canal will live only in history. This little pamphlet, for its accuracy and faithfulness, will possess a greater value to the future antiquarian than its modest dimensions would warrant.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A. M., of Somerville.

Some Old Puritan Love-Letters—John and Margaret Winthrop, 1618–1638. Edited by Joseph Hopkins Twichell. New York: Dodd, Mead & Company. 1893. 12mo. pp. 187. Price $2.

These letters of Gov. John Winthrop and his wife Margaret, daughter of Sir John Tindal, give us a good idea not only of the love letters of the Puritans at the time of the settlement of the Massachusetts Colony, but they also furnish much insight into the social condition of the Puritans of Old England and New at that period. Mr. Twichell has performed a good work in collecting, editing and printing these letters for the instruction of the New-England people of to-day. They make a handsome volume.

Personal Recollections of John G. Whittier. By Mary B. Claflin. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. 1893. 18mo. Price 75 cents.

It is a small but beautifully printed volume. The poet Whittier was a frequent visitor in the home of the author, who has brought together her recollections of many pleasant hours. It is a welcome contribution.

By Hon. Charles Carleton Coffin, A.M., of Boston.

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Worcester Town Records, 1811–1816. Edited by Franklin P. Rice. Worcester. Society of Antiquity. 1891. 8vo.

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The Treat Family: A Genealogy of Trott, Tratt and Treat for Fifteen Generations and Four Hundred and Fifty Years in England and America. Containing more than Fifteen Hundred Families in America. By John Harvey Treat, A.M. Salem, Mass.: The Salem Press Publishing and Printing Company. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. xii.+637.

Armorial Général de France de D'Hozier (Complement). Notice Généalogique sur la Famille Sohier de Vermadois. Paris: Librairie de Firmin-Didot et Cie. 1884. Folio pp. 55.

The Plumbs. 1635–1800. By H. B. Plumb. Perly, Luzerne County, Pa.: Second Edition. 1893. Oblong folio, pp. 102.

Launcelot Granger of Newbury, Mass., and Suffield, Conn. A Genealogical History. By James N. Granger. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 587. Price $7.50; by mail $7.86; to be obtained of the author, 42 Falls St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Memorial of Josiah Kendall, one of the First Settlers of Sterling, Mass., and of Some of his Ancestors and of his Descendants. By Oliver Kendall. Providence: Printed by the Author. 1884. 4to. pp, xviii.+135. Only 120 copies printed. Price $3 in cloth, or $4 in half morocco.

A Frisian Family. The Bauta Genealogy. By Theodore M. Bauta. New York. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. xiii.+412.

A Record of the Ancestry and Kindred of the Children of Edward Thompkins, Sr. Printed for the Compiler. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 65.

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History of Clare and the Daleassian Clans of Tipperary, Limerick and Galway. By the Very Rev. B. White, P.P., V.G. Dublin: M. H. Gill & Son, 50 Upper O'Connell Street. 1893. 8vo. pp. 398.

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A Genealogical History of the Gallup Family of the United States. By John D. Gallup, Agawam, Mass. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Hartford Printing Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 329.

The History of Edward Poole of Weymouth, Mass., and his Descendants. By Murray Edward Poole, A.B. Press of the Ithaca Democrat. 1893. 8vo. pp. 164.

Notes of the Family of King, of West Hall, Dorset. By Charles Herbert Mayo, M.A., R.D. December, 1893. J. A. & S. T. Sawtell, Printers, Sherburne. 8vo. pp. 12.

Family Records. Parker—Pond—Peck. By Edwin Pond Parker, D.D. 1636–1892. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1892. 8vo. pp. 51.

Collections relating to the Family of Trotman. Edited by W. P. W. Phillemore. Printed for Private Circulation by John White, Stroud, Gloucestershire. 1892. 8vo. pp. 76.

The Pedigree of Robert Barclay-Allardice, Heir Apparent of Line of Prince David Stuart, Earl Palatine of Strathearn, the Earls of Monteith and Airth, Lords Graham of Kilpont and Kilbryde; and the Families of Barclay of Mathers and Ury, and Allardice of Allardice. 1892. Broadside, 17 by 48 inches.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Dr. Marshall's Genealogist's Guide, Third Edition.—The second edition of "The Genealogist's Guide; being a General Search through Genealogical, Topographical and Biographical Works, Family Histories, Peerage Claims, etc.," published in 1885, has for some time been out of print. The author, George W. Marshall, LL.D., F.S.A., Rouge Croix Pursuivant of the Herald's College, has determined to issue a third edition, with a supplement containing a large number of additional references, and to add also a complete Catalogue of Printed Parish Registers, and references to extracts from Registers, both printed and manuscript. His new edition of the Guide will be privately printed for subscribers only, and will be limited to 250 copies. The subscription price will be 25 shillings. Subscriptions will be received by Messrs. Belling & Sons, London Printing Works, Guildford, England. Those who desire the work should send in their orders early. The work is in press, and will be issued as soon as the subscription list is complete.

The catalogue of Parish Registers will be much extended from the privately printed work issued in 1891.

Discovery of the Birthplace of the Apostle Eliot.—The birthplace of Rev. John Eliot of Roxbury has till last year been unknown, though it has generally been supposed that he was born at Nazing in Essex, where a brother of his and two sisters were baptized, and where his father Bennet Eliot died (*ante*, Register, 28: 140–5; 39: 365–71). In 1893, a descendant, Ellsworth Eliot, M.D., of New York city (whose address is No. 48 West 36th street), visited England, and made some genealogical searches. He found on the parish register of St. John Baptist at Widford, Herts., a record of the marriage of his parents, viz.: "Bennett Eliot and Letteye Aggar were married the 30th of October 1598." On the same register is found the baptism of the Apostle, as follows: "John Elliott

the sonne of Bennett Elliott was baptized the fyfte daye of August 1604." The baptisms of his sister Sarah in 1599, his brother Philip in 1602, and his brother Jacob in 1606 are also there recorded. Between 1606 and 1610, the family seems to have removed to Nazing. Dr. Eliot has made arrangements through the rector of Widford, Rev. John Traviss Lockwood, to have a memorial window placed in the church in memory of his ancestor, and has issued a circular to other descendants inviting those interested to contribute towards the expense of the window.

LINCOLN COUNTY PROBATE RECORDS.—The Maine Genealogical Society, Portland, Maine, have issued a prospectus for publishing probate records of Lincoln county, Maine, compiled by William D. Patterson of Wiscasset, Maine. Lincoln county, which was organized in 1760, included nearly all the territory north and east of the Androscoggin river. Some of the territory was taken in 1789 to form Washington and Hancock counties; in 1799 Kennebec county; Waldo in 1827; Androscoggin and Sagadahock in 1854; and Knox in 1860. The wills will be given verbatim and an abstract of other records.

The work will be issued in monthly parts of 16 pages, at 25 cents a part, payable in advance. Twenty parts will form a volume, and a title page, preface and index will be furnished. Much valuable historical matter, concerning the early history of Maine, will be contained in this work.

SOUVENIR SPOON OF THE DENISON FAMILY.—A souvenir or memorial spoon has been issued by the Denisons at Mystic, Connecticut. On the inside of the bowl of this spoon is a view of the first house built in Mystic by Capt. George Denison in 1668, which was taken down in 1883. These dates appear on the back of the handle. The top of the handle represents the Denison coat-of-arms with the motto: DOMUS GRATA, as copied from the tombstone at Ipswich, Massachusetts, and along the handle, extending down to the bowl, are the letters composing the name D-E-N-I-S-O-N. It is a handsome, heavy teaspoon, and is admired by those who have seen it. It is not the intention of the originator to offer it for sale as a speculation; but those interested can obtain one by sending three dollars—a price, we are told, which will not cover the cost—to Mr. Charles Hyde Denison, 97 Front street, New York city, or Miss E. E. Cottrell, Greenfield, Mass.

DUDLEY FAMILY RELICS.—Mrs. Elizabeth C. Young, of Medford, whose obituary is printed in this number of the REGISTER, presented, on the 14th of November, 1881, to the New-England Historic Genealogical Society the following relics preserved under glass in a frame: Four caps which were made before the birth of the first child of William and Sarah (Williams) Dudley, who was born June 19, 1774. Several ruffles worked or embroidered by that child when she was thirteen years old for her mother to wear to commencement at Harvard College. A silver tea-spoon, being one of six given to the above Sarah Williams by her brother Henry Howell Williams previous to her marriage to Mr. Dudley. A knitting sheath which had been in the Dudley family through seven generations. Mrs. Young, the donor, was a grandchild of William and Sarah Dudley, being a daughter of their first child above referred to.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Balch.—A genealogy in preparation by Galusha B. Balch, M.D., Yonkers, New York.

Fairweather.—By Walter C. Fairweather, P. O. Box 11, St. John, New Brunswick. For some time past Mr. Fairweather has been collecting material for a genealogy of this family. He has very full records of his immediate ancestors and their descendants, and is very anxious to extend his work further back. Information sent to him at the above address will be thankfully received.

Hamblen.— H. F. Andrews, Audubon, Iowa, is compiling a genealogy of this family.

Harriman.— H. P. Rolfe, 817-19 Central Avenue, Great Falls, Montana, is investigating the genealogy of this family and has much information from town and county records.

Hitchcock.—The Hitchcock family history which has long been in preparation is now ready for the press, and will be printed as soon as 150 copies are subscribed for. The price will be $5 a copy. The volume will contain 600 pages or more, and will trace the family in its two branches from Matthias of Watertown, Mass., and East Haven, Conn., and of Luke of Wethersfield, Conn., from 1635-1886. Subscriptions and genealogical data should be addressed to Mrs. Mary L. Hitchcock, Amherst, Mass.

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Oxford Men and their Colleges. By JOSEPH FOSTER, HON. M. A. OXON, author of Alumini Oxonienses, the British Peerage and Baronetage, &c., &c. Oxford and London: James Parker & Co. 1893. Illustrated 4to; pp. 664; each column is regarded as a page. Price £1. 11. 6.

Oxford Men: 1880–1892. With a record of their schools, honors and degrees. By JOSEPH FOSTER, HON. M. A. OXON, author, &c. (as above). Oxford and London: James Parker & Co. 1893. Illustrated. 4to; pp. 686. Price £1. 11. 6.

These two superb volumes are alike in size, type and binding, and are similar in the manner of illustration. They are a continuation and completion of the author's series of volumes of fame, entitled Alumni Oxonienses. The latter of the two is avowedly a supplement to the series, and contains the matriculation register from 1880 to and including 1892. The former may be described as the capital, of which the series, thus brought down to date, is the Corinthian column. It contains a historical sketch of each of the colleges and halls constituting the University, setting forth the main facts pertaining to the particular institution from the beginning. For distinction it may be called the historical volume. The illustrations of both are profuse and artistic; and by "artistic" is meant that the work is faithfully and fitly done, not that every picture is an esthetic gem. There are plenty of that sort, while many are copies of the quaint conceits of designers and limners who lived when the art of engraving was in its infancy. But what the artist of to-day has attempted in the one sort or the other, whether by the use of the graver or by the photographic process, he has achieved, leaving nothing to be desired in his proper province.

The first impression of one who should hastily glance through these pages might easily be that the author's intent was mainly to exhibit the various architecture of the university buildings, an impression arising from the fact that the views of facades and interiors of existing structures are not only numerous, but usually, if not invariably, a full quarto page is given to each. But when the reader reverts to the text of the historical volume this impression is quickly

dissipated, and to his mind one vista opens into another, almost without number, disclosing facts pertaining not only to architecture but to biography, archæology, portraiture, the vicissitudes of dynasties, ecclesiastical turns and overturns, the expansion of college curriculums, and to changes in the domestic life, the table-fare, the permitted diversions and the college discipline; and all this, whether broadly stated or hinted forth by instances whence a rule or usage may be inferred, extends over a period of more than six hundred years. On one page the dimness of Oxford's remote antiquity is made tangible by the picture of a time-worn structure entitled "Hall, name unknown;" and on two pages of the companion volume are photographed groups representing the "University Eight" and the "University Eleven" for the year 1893. The frontispiece of the historical volume is a fine portrait of the present chancellor or chief officer of the University, Lord Salisbury, whose lineaments are familiar to readers of American newspapers and periodicals as those of a contemporary man; and one soon encounters, as he turns the pages, the visages of Edward II., Henry VIII. and Elizabeth, who in their respective reigns did something for the University. Many engravings appear of grotesque heads and figures comprised in the architecture of the college buildings; also of designs in ornamental string-courses, parapets and battlements, of coats of arms, of specimens of antique furniture and table-ware, and one of the identical brazen-nose door-knocker — of date A.D. 1334 — whence "Brasenose College" gets its name. The full-page illustrations of existing architecture are usually, and perhaps in every instance, done by a photographic process which yields a tinted impression. This faint haze of color adds much to the effect, especially in interiors.

Accompanying these pleasing reminisences of by-gone days are pages of dry facts, or, if the cynics of literature please, "dry-as-dust." To the historian these are invaluable and indispensable, as are the pages of the ledger and city directory to the man of business. No historian may ever desire to know, for example, who was principal of Balliol College in the year 1282, but should it so happen he wants the exact fact and not a tradition or surmise of it. This book supplies that fact, with thousands like it, extending through the six centuries. Lists are given of all the masters of the colleges of the University from the beginning to the present time, with an outline in brief of the public career of each, setting forth his college of matriculation, honorary degrees, offices of dignity in church or state, with mention of any remarkable achievements, exact dates being supplied in each case. A complete list of the officers in each college in the year 1893 is also a part of the record. The historical sketches of the colleges are but brief, considering the period covered, but reference is made in each to any more complete narrative which may exist. Nearly all of them have been condensed from fuller narratives, in some instances by the authors of such narratives, and all but a very few of the sketches have been prepared by Oxford historians. The record has, therefore, the stamp of authenticity, and offers to the student or inquirer the unique advantage of opening the whole field to his view at once. In their special ways both volumes are standard works of reference, and the historical volume is also a definite contribution to good literature.

A variety of excerpts of pleasant antique flavor might be made from these pages did space permit. A note as to the antiquity itself may be ventured. It would be difficult at this distance, and perhaps also on the spot, unless some precise definitions were agreed upon, to decide which college has priority in that particular. The writer of the sketch of Merton College says: "Merton, the earliest of English colleges, and the model of all the rest, dates its pedigree from the year 1264, having been founded by Walter de Merton, chancellor to Henry III." The writer for Balliol says: "The origin of Balliol College is traced to certain payments made by John Balliol, not long after 1260, for the support of poor students at Oxford." He adds that in 1282 it was "placed upon an established footing," the method or plan of organization being that of Merton College. The writer for University College says, in substance, that that institution has its origin in a bequest in the will of William of Durham who died in the year 1249. The first application of the gift, so far as known, was in 1253, when a house and land were bought, the deed for which still exists. This first house stood on land now occupied by the north-east corner of Brasenose College, the removal of University College to its present site being of date 1343. He follows his statement with this remark: "Anyhow, the college is the oldest

foundation in the University, although it was organized as a college, in the sense in which we understand that word, later than Balliol and Merton Colleges."

The fact seems to be that several of these earliest colleges grew out of existing monasteries, and that a monastic regimen was maintained for a while. Merton was, however, founded as a secular college, and the founder provided that "no monk or friar should be admitted on his foundation at all"—that is, admitted as a student or fellow. Under this strict definition the oldest collegiate building at Oxford—the choir of a chapel erected in the latter part of the 13th century—is claimed for Merton, with the proviso, "if we exclude fragments of monastic buildings afterwards converted to collegiate uses."

The prestige derivable from antiquity is curiously illustrated by the language of the writer for Worcester College, his phrase here italicized being probably without parallel in the written histories of eleemosynary institutions. Having stated that in 1753 and 1773 the college quadrangle was rebuilt in part, he adds: "*Fortunately, funds ran short for further reconstruction*, so that the old Benedictine tenements still form the southern side of the quadrangle"—that is, tenements occupied by Benedictine monks, dating, apparently, from the year 1288. Whatever are the merits of this dispute (if there be one) the point for readers on this side of the ocean perhaps is, that, giving the three colleges first named an average date, the world had yet to wait two centuries and the third part of another to have it announced that such a place as America existed, and to wait 128 years more for the landing on Plymouth Rock. From the date of the bequest of William of Durham to the date of that of John Harvard, which founded America's oldest collegiate institution, is a period of 389 years. There is authority in the text for saying that "Hertford is the youngest college of the University." It was chartered, after a reorganization, in 1740, but traces its origin to Hert or Hart Hall, of date about 1280. Nevertheless, the last chapter in the book is entitled "Keble College," and describes that institution, which was chartered in 1870. No college was chartered at Oxford between 1740 and 1870. Keble College appears to have substantially the same dignities and privileges as the others; but there is a technical or legal distinction which doubtless warrants the statement of the writer for Hertford. That technicality is indicated by the writer for Keble, who says: "The charter [of Keble] authorized the incorporation of this college within the University of Oxford; but this incorporation has not been carried out, and its constitution differs from that of the other colleges."

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

Notes on the Surnames of Francus, Franceis, French, etc., in Scotland, with an account of the Frenches of Thornydykes. By A. D. WELD FRENCH, F. S. A. Scot. Boston: Privately Printed. 1893. 8vo. pp. 109.

The writer of this volume is already well and favorably known in Great Britain and this country as the author of the "Index Armorial." His first work, however, on armory was on the coats of arms of the surname of Williams. The present title does not fully indicate its antiquarian and historical importance, for this volume goes far back to the very foundation stones of history. Much of the earliest information has been gathered from the ancient abbey archives in England, Scotland and Normandy. And although there are a few gaps in the historical records, yet practically this original search begins at the very end of the 11th century and continues down to the dawn of the 17th century, a period of more than 500 years. No one but the historical and genealogical author can fully realize the amount of work, perseverance and study necessary to have completed this volume. Dissecting the work, we classify it under the following four headings:—

First. SURNAMES, on which subject the preface is particularly interesting. Nor does the interest fail on this theme in the body of these records. As an illustration, we cite an instance as found in the Family of Ayton, where, starting with Francus, we have Franciscus, Franceis, Franceys, Francys, Frauncays, Frances, Fraunches and finally Franche.

Second. HISTORICALLY. The translations of the ancient unpublished Norman charters specially indicate the then prevailing custom of individual donation to the abbeys, the existing system of land tenure, historic and genealogical information, as well as early prototypes of some French and Anglo-Norman surnames; similar illustrations by charters are given for Scotland. Many his-

torical events crop out in different parts of this work in connection with the surnames in Scotland, of which the following is a partial synopsis:—

In the year 1296, Roll of submission of King John Baliol to his liege lord King Edward the First of England.

Arrangements in 1302 for the defence of Kirkintilloch castle.

Taking of Edinburgh castle from the English in 1312-13.

King Edward the Second's flight in 1314 after the battle of Bannockburn.

Third. GENERAL NOTES on the surname; beginning at the end of the 11th century, we find "Robertus ffraunceys, one of the few recorded knights of the 2d Robert de Brus in English history." The earlier Norman charters recorded give the Latin form of the surname; they are all identified with the Valognes district of the Cotentin, the Normandy home of the Bruces, in which locality are many records of the surname of Franceis, which at a later period appears in the Annandale of Scotland as feudatories of the Bruces. Besides the last named feudality there are many associations of the name in connection with the old Earls of Dunbar, even before the recorded charters of the Frenches under these Earls.

There are indications that William Franceis under the different orthographical changes of this surname, so often found as a witness to the abbey charters as well as those of the Bruces, may have been the same personage. In continuation we find much genealogical information about the Franceis of Ayton and Linlithgow, the latter family being specially distinguished as having furnished the second master mason to the Crown of Scotland.

Fourth. LAIRDS OF THORNYDYKES, which comprises Part Second of this work, is the unpublished records of that family for more than 200 years, beginning with the latter part of the 14th century and continued to the opening of the 17th century; this was during the reigns of Kings, Robert the 3d, the five Jameses, Queen Mary, and ending with the reign of King James the 6th of Scotland, who became in 1603 the first Scotch King of England. This period comprises many interesting epochs in Scotch history, including the Reformation. Several members of the family of French of Thornydykes held positions immediately under the last named sovereign.

Although this work is privately printed and limited to the small edition of 300 copies, this disadvantage to the general public is somewhat overcome, from the fact that Mr. French has donated copies to the leading Historical, Genealogical, and Free libraries of our country.

By Charles E. Hurd, Esq., of Boston.

Memoir of the Hon. Josiah Gardner Abbott, LL.D., read before the Old Residents Historical Association. By CHARLES COWLEY, LL.D. With the Proceedings of the Bar, &c., &c. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. 1892. 8vo., pp. 92.

A volume of more than passing interest—albeit designed primarily for private circulation—is a memoir of the late Hon. Josiah Gardner Abbott, LL.D., whose lamented death took place at his summer home at Wellesley Hills, Mass., June 2, 1891. Its contents consist of a eulogy originally prepared for and delivered before the Old Residents Historical Association of Lowell—where Judge Abbott "won his spurs" in the legal profession, and passed many honorable and happy years—by its author, Hon. Charles Cowley, LL.D., who was a law-student in the office of Judge Abbott, and hence wrote *con amore;* tributes from Senator Hoar, Gov. Russell, Congressman Stevens, Gen. Butler and other eminent personal friends; proceedings of the Bar of the County of Middlesex, in view of the death of their distinguished associate, and similar proceedings of the Bar Association of the City of Boston; and an appendix, giving Judge Abbott's draft of a proposed address to the people of the United States, protesting against the decision of the Presidential Electoral Commission (of which he was a member) in 1877, and his letter declining the Republican nomination for Attorney-General of Massachusetts in 1861; the whole prefixed with an admirable portrait of the illustrious subject of the work.

Amid this wealth of material in moderate compass—there are less than 100 octavo pages in the book—its chief interest centres in the discriminating and eloquent pages of Judge Cowley. The career which he has here sketched so succinctly was one of more than ordinary brilliance, even for New England in its heroic days; and this volume cannot fail to be of value as an inspiration to those who are yet "in the gristle" of early manhood, as well as a pleasure to all who take pride in our American institutions, which have developed such men.

By the Rev. John S. Colby, of Marlboro', N. H.

American Colonial History, illustrated by Contemporary Medals. By the late C. WYLLYS BETTS. Edited, with notes, by WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN, A.M., and LYMAN HAYNES LOW. New York: Scott Stamp and Coin Company Lt'd. 1894. 8vo., pp. 332. Price $3. The book can be obtained of Messrs. T. R. Marvin & Son, 73 Federal St., Boston.

As the first essay into this field by American Numismatists, who have followed in its plan the model set by the British Museum, this work is particularly deserving of attention. It will prove of great value to collectors and students of American Colonial history, in which so much interest is manifested at the present time. The late Mr. Betts was an enthusiastic student of American history as exemplified by contemporary medals, in distinction from coins, and this work is the result of his labors.

The medals described, engravings of many of which are given, were mostly struck in Europe, and the legends they bear are in various languages—Latin, German, French, Dutch, Spanish, etc.; translations of these have been uniformly supplied; to many readers this will greatly increase the interest with which they will study these pieces. The queer macaronic legends on the medals satirizing John Law have been discussed in the notes, and the minute distinctions in the almost endless series of the Vernons carefully tabulated for easy reference. By "America" the author seems to have intended to include the New World of the western hemisphere, otherwise pieces like those on Cook's voyages, and the like, could have no proper place in the volume.

The editors, Messrs. Marvin and Low, have added much to the value of the work by their copious notes.

1815–1832. Joseph Bonaparte en Amérique. Par GEORGES BERTIN, accompagné d'un Portrait d'apres une Gravure de M. Rodolphe Piguet. Paris Librarie de la Nouvelle Revue, 18 Boulevard Montmarte, 1893. (Droits de traduction et de reproduction réservés) 12mo., pp. xv + 428. Prix, 3 francs 50.

The frontispiece is an interesting and little known portrait engraved from one by Gombaud, taken at Bordentown in 1831, in the Mailliard collection. This work of research, among the living, in MSS. and printed authorities, both French and American, is dedicated to a well-known Philadelphian and man of letters, Admiral Macaulay. Its information, beside that obtained from this source, was derived from the son of Joseph Bonaparte's confidential secretary and friend, M. Mailliard. Many old Philadelphia families opened their treasures to its agreeable author, M. Bertin, who has had the advantage, beside speaking excellent English, of residing some time in Philadelphia, where his energy in pursuing this subject commended itself to his many friends in the Pennsylvania Historical and American Philosophical Societies.

The arrangement is good, the authorities given, and an easy fluent style describes every phase of Bonaparte's career while a sojourner here, his domestic life, his residence, its furniture and its numerous works of art, his circle of foreign exiles and his American friendships, which included Daniel Webster, his correspondence, and the many anecdotes and incidents which give color to the life of one who was perhaps the most popular foreigner who dwelt among us at a time the nation was peculiarly sensitive to strangers. This interesting book, a useful addition to American history, is completed by a good index.

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Town of Weston. Records of the First Precinct 1746—1754, and of the Town 1754—1803. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, 1893. 8vo. pp. 558.

These records are printed at the expense of the town of Weston pursuant to a vote passed by the town March 28, 1892. They have been copied by Mary Frances Peirce, under whose charge they have been printed. She has taken great pains to have an accurate copy, and has done her work in a very satisfactory manner. She has prefixed an historical and explanatory Preface, and has added an Index. Three important documents are given in an Appendix. We are told in the Preface that "by a vote of the General Court in 1746, the north part of Weston was united with parts of Lexington and Concord to form what was called the Second Precinct. The remaining part of Weston was then called the First Precinct, and records of the same were kept from 1746 to 1754. At that time, the Second Precinct was incorporated as a town under the name of Lincoln, and the records of the First Precinct were no longer kept separate

from those of the town. Those of the latter, after 1754, were kept in what had been the precinct book."

It is encouraging to find that so many of the towns of Massachusetts are printing their records, and thus placing them beyond the reach of loss by fire and other causes. We hope that their example will be followed by other towns and cities, till the local records of the whole state are safe from destruction by accident or malice.

The book makes a handsome volume.

The Treat Family: A Genealogy of Trott, Tratt and Treat for Fifteen Generations and Four Hundred and Fifty Years in England and America. Containing more than Fifteen Hundred Families in America. By JOHN HARVEY TREAT, A.M. Salem, Mass.: The Salem Press and Publishing Company. 1893. Royal 8vo, pp. xii.+637. Price $7.50.

A History of the Doggett-Daggett Family. By SAMUEL BRADLEE DOGGETT. Boston: Press of Rockwell and Churchill. 1894. 8vo. pp. 686.

The History of Ufton Court and the Parish of Ufton in the County of Berks, and of the Perkins Family. Compiled by A. MARY SHARP. London: Elliott Stock, 62 Paternoster Row. 1892. Crown 4to. pp. 276. Price 25 shillings.

The Warren-Clarke Genealogy. A Record of Persons related within the Sixth Degree to the Children of Samuel Dennis Warren and Susan Cornelia Clarke. By REV. CHARLES WHITE HUNTINGTON. Privately Printed. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. 238. To be obtained by descendants at $2 a copy, of Fiske Warren, 5 Chestnut Street, Boston.

History of the More Family and an Account of their Re-union in 1890. By DAVID FELLOWS MORE. *With a Genealogical Record.* By CHARLES CHURCH MORE. Binghamton: Samuel P. More. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. xxxi+409.

Armorial Général de France de D'Hozier (Complément). Notice Généalogique sur la Famille Sohier de Vermadois. Paris: Librairie de Firmin-Didot et Cie. 1894. Folio pp. 55.

The Plumbs. 1635–1800. By H. B. PLUMB. Perly, Luzerne County, Pa.: Second Edition. 1893. Oblong folio, pp. 102.

Launcelot Granger of Newbury, Mass., and Suffield, Conn. A Genealogical History. By JAMES N. GRANGER. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 587. Price $7.50; by mail $7.86; to be obtained of the author, 42 Falls Street, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Memorial of Josiah Kendall, one of the First Settlers of Sterling, Mass., and of Some of his Ancestors and of his Descendants. By OLIVER KENDALL. Providence: Printed by the Author. 1894. 4to. pp. xviii.+135. Only 120 copies printed. Price $3 in cloth, or $4 in half morocco.

A Frisian Family. The Banta Genealogy. By THEODORE M. BANTA. New York. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. xiii.+412.

A Genealogy. Edward Chapman of Ipswich, Mass., 1642–1678, and his Descendants. By JACOB CHAPMAN, A.M. Concord, N. H.: Printed by the Republican Press Association. 1893. 8vo. pp. 139. Price, $4.

A History and Genealogy of the Descendants of William Hammond of London, England, and wife Elizabeth Penn, through their son Benjamin of Sandwich and Rochester, Mass. By ROLAND HAMMOND, A.M., M.D. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1894. Price $4. To be obtained of the Author, Dr. R. Hammond of Campello, Mass.

A Genealogical and Biographical Record of the Savery Families (Savory and Savary) and of the Severy Family (Severit, Savery, Savory and Savary). By A. W. SAVARY of Annapolis Royal, N. S. Assisted in the Genealogy by Miss LYDIA A. SAVARY of East Wareham, Mass. Boston: The Collins Press. 1893. 8vo. pp. 276.

The Ancestry of Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States, 1889–93, in chart form, showing the descendants of William Henry Harrison, President of the United States, 1841, and Notes on Families Related. By CHARLES P. KEITH, Philadelphia. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 96, and large folded chart.

Memorials of the Mauran Family. Collected in Part by JAMES EDDY MAURAN. Compiled by JOHN C. STOCKBRIDGE. Providence. 1893. 8vo. pp. 171.

The Felt Genealogy. A Record of the Descendants of George Felt of Casco Bay. Compiled by JOHN E. MORRIS. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 567.

The History of the Allison Family in Europe and America, A.D. 1135 to 1893. By LEONARD ALLISON MORRISON. Boston, Mass.: Published by Damrell & Upham. 1893. 8vo. pp. xiv.+312. Price $3,75.

A Genealogical History of the Gallup Family of the United States. By John D. Gallup, Agawam, Mass. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Hartford Printing Company. 1893. 8vo. pp. 329.

Early Wills illustrating the Ancestry of Harriot Coffin. By her grandson, WILLIAM S. APPLETON. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1893. 8vo. pp. 86.

A Record of the Ancestry and Kindred of the Children of Edward Thompkins, Sr. Printed for the Compiler. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 65.

The Olivestob Hamiltons. By REV. ARTHUR WENTWORTH HAMILTON EATON, B.A. New York: Privately Printed. 1893. Royal 4to. pp. 32.

The Ingersolls of Hampshire. A Genealogical History of the Family in the line of John Ingersoll of Westfield, Mass. Compiled by Lieut. CHARLES STEDMAN RIPLEY, U. S. N. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers. 1893. 8vo. pp. 107. Price $5. To be obtained of W. K. Watkins, 18 Somerset Street, Boston.

Henry Crane of Milton, Mass., 1654, and Some of his Descendants. Compiled for MR. ALBERT CRANE, A.B., LL.B. Boston: Privately Printed. 1893. 8vo. pp. 26, with folding pedigree.

A Sketch of Owen Biddle, with a Short Account of the Parke Family, together with a List of his Descendants. By HENRY D. BIDDLE. Privately Printed. Philadelphia: 1892. 8vo. pp. 87.

The History of Edward Poole of Weymouth, Mass., and his Descendants. By MURRAY EDWARD POOLE, A.B. Press of the Ithaca Democrat. 1893. 8vo. pp. 164.

Notes of the Family of King, of West Hall, Dorset. By CHARLES HERBERT MAYO, M.A., R.D. December, 1893. Sherburne: J. A. & S. T. Sawtell, Printers. 8vo. pp. 12.

Family Records. Parker-Pond-Peck. 1636-1892. By EDWIN POND PARKER, D D. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1892. 8vo. pp. 51.

Collections relating to the Family of Trotman. Edited by W. P. W. PHILLIMORE. Printed for Private Circulation by John White, Stroud, Gloucestershire. 1892. 8vo. pp. 76.

The Pedigree of Robert Barclay-Allardice, Heir Apparent of Line of Prince David Stuart, Earl Palatine of Strathearn, the Earls of Monteith and Airth, Lords Graham of Kilpont and Kilbryde; and the Families of Barclay of Mathers and Ury, and Allardice of Allardice. 1892. Broadside, 17 by 48 inches.

A Letter from A. J. Turner relating to the Genealogy of the Turners of the Tribe. of John and Jonathan. Portage, Wisconsin. 1894. 8vo. pp. 6.

Genealogy of the Barber-Eno Family of Homer, N. Y. Newark, N. J. 1893. 8vo. pp. 40.

A Genealogical Sketch of a Branch of the Wait or Waite Family of Americas By D. BYRON WAITE. Canadice, N. Y. 1893. Sq. 16mo. pp. 22.

The Sharpes. Devoted to the History, Genealogy and Literature of the Sharpes. Published monthly. Each number contains 8 pages. Nos. 8 to 15. August 1893 to March 1894. Address, W. C. Sharpe, Seymour, Ct.

Cowles Family Tree. April, 1893. Washington, D. C.: Broadside.

The Kirkland or Kirtland Family. By V. C. SANBORN [of Chicago, Ill.]. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1894. 8vo. pp. 5.

Noyes Inscription and Memoranda. By JAMES ATKINS NOYES, A.B., of Cambridge. [Boston. 1894]. 8vo. pp. 4.

Descendants of Ensign Thomas Fuller of Dedham. By FRANCIS H. FULLER of Lincoln, Maine. 1893. 8vo. pp. 8.

History of the Dudley Family. By DEAN DUDLEY. No. IX. Wakefield, Mass. Dean Dudley, Publisher. 8vo. pp. 130. Price $1 a number.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works lately published relating to genealogy.

The Treat Family, the first book on our list, shows great research in England and America. The author states that he has devoted ten years of constant labor to the preparation of this work, and the book itself shows that the labor has been well expended. The surname seems to have been originally Trott, and in this country it was spelled by the early settlers Trat, Trot, Tret, Treat and in other forms. The first settler was Richard, who settled at Wethersfield, Ct. His son Robert was governor of Connecticut. The family has been a prominent one in New England history, and the author has done a good service to family history by tracing it out so thoroughly and preserving it in print. The book before us is well indexed, handsomely printed, and is illustrated by engravings of a high order of merit.

The History of the Doggett Family is also very thoroughly traced in America, and considerable matter is given concerning the English families. The author has devoted to this work his spare time since the year 1876. He has produced a very valuable book, which he has brought out in a handsome style, illustrated with fine engravings, such as portraits, views of buildings, etc. It has full indexes. The family is to be congratulated on having so good a record preserved in print.

Miss Sharp's book on Ufton Court and the Perkins family is valuable for the historical and genealogical information preserved in it. The Perkinses of Ufton were an old Catholic family who owned the manor of Ufton from 1411 till nearly the close of the last century. The present mansion of Ufton Court, a picturesque house in Berkshire, dates from the time of Elizabeth, and has been standing for more than three hundred years. The book shows thorough research, and much interesting and instructive historical matter of bygone times can be gleaned from its pages. The Appendix is devoted to genealogical matter relating to families of the name of the Perkins, Parkyn, etc. One chapter is "A Roll of the Pioneers of New England of the name of Perkins." The volume is "printed on fine paper, fully illustrated and tastefully bound in roxbugh binding." "Although the book is mainly concerned with Ufton Court itself, much valuable information is given concerning the parish and the neighboring district with the ancient families formerly holding property in Berkshire."

The book on the Warren-Clarke Genealogy is something new in this kind of literature. The author says that "in a rough way [it] may be said to include all those related within the sixth degree to the children of Samuel Dennis Warren and Susan Cornelia Clarke." The book seems to be carefully compiled, and makes a handsome volume. Mrs. Warren is a daughter of the late Rev. Dorus Clarke, D.D., a historiographer of this Society.

The next book, on the More family, makes an elegant volume, profusely illustrated with fine views and portraits. The Historical Committee of the More family deserve great credit for their work in bringing out the book in so creditable a style. Messrs. David F. and Charles C. More are entitled to praise for their work in compiling the volume. The genealogical portion is well done, and many well-written biographies are found here. This family is of Scottish descent, and an account of the Mores of Scotland is given. The book has a good index.

The book on the family of Sohier de Vermandois gives a good account of this ancient French family, an offshoot of which is found in America. A large folding tabular pedigree is given. The book makes a handsome volume.

The volume on the Plumbs is a second edition of the work noticed by us in July, 1891. It is much enlarged, and will be found very interesting, particularly to those bearing the name. A good index is given.

The Granger book is another noble contribution to American family history. The author has been unusually successful in collecting his material and tracing out the scattered branches of the family. He has carefully arranged the full and precise details which he has collected, and has furnished a full index to the work. The book is handsomely printed on superior paper, and is illustrated by numerous portraits and other engravings.

The Kendall book is another fine volume, for which the author deserves great praise. Much genealogical matter relative to Josiah Kendall and his descendants is preserved here. It is illustrated with engravings of a high order of merit. The book has a good index.

The next book is on the Banta family. The American family is descended

from Epke Jacobse, who "came from Friesland, Netherlands, to New Amsterdam, February, 1659," and subsequently removed to Bergen, N. J. His children bore the surname of Banta. The book is handsomely printed on fine white paper, and is illustrated by fine portraits and other engravings. The family in this country is well traced, and much interesting matter has been gathered concerning the family in Holland. It is well indexed. A folding chart gives the ancestors of the author in various lines for six generations.

The Chapman book is by the Rev. Jacob Chapman of Exeter, who has done much for New England family history. He has spent the best part of fifteen years in this work, and has published five valuable volumes, namely, the Folsom, the Philbrick, the Weeks, the Lane and the Chapman genealogies. This book is well compiled, well printed and well indexed. It is embellished with portraits.

The Hammond book gives the descendants of Benjamin Hammond, an early settler on Cape Cod, concerning which family an article by Mr. Philip Battell was printed in the REGISTER for January 1876 (vol. 30, pp. 28–32). It shows great industry and judgment in the collection and arrangement of the materials. The book is well printed and indexed, and is illustrated with fine portraits.

The Savary book is by Judge Savary of Annapolis, N. S., who has been long engaged in collecting materials relating to the several families, as our readers are aware, the results of some of his researches having appeared in the REGISTER. The work is now completed, and can be obtained by those interested at a moderate price. It contains many points outside of a mere genealogy. It is well printed and indexed, and is embellished with portraits and other engravings.

The book on the ancestors of Ex-President Harrison makes an elegant volume. The large folding chart, 24 inches by 32 inches, shows much labor. The author states that "all the known ancestors who lived in America are mentioned in this chart." The introduction to the book contains much interesting matter. Several pages each are devoted to the follwing families: Armistead, Bacon, Basset, Bedell, Burwell, Cary, Harrison, Irwin, McDowell, Ramsey, Symmes and Tuthill. A good index is furnished.

The book on the Mauran family contains the result of the labors of the late Mr. James Eddy Mauran of Newport, R. I., with those of Rev. Dr. Stockbridge. Mr. Mauran spent much time and money in collecting materials illustrating the history of the Maurans, which can be traced into France and Italy. The American family is descended from Giuseppe Carlo (Joseph Charles) Mauran, born June 3, 1748, in Villafranca, in the province of Nice (then in Italy), who came to New England, and settled in Rhode Island. The family is one of much distinction in that state.

The book on the Felt family is a work of much merit. Mr. Morris, the author, has succeeded in collecting details of the various branches of the descendants of George Felt, an early settler at Casco Bay in Maine. The book is well arranged, and has good indexes.

The book on the Allison family, by the Hon. Leonard Allison Morrison, gives an account of the family "in Scotland, England, Ireland, Australia, Canada and the United States." Mr. Morrison is the author of the "History of Windham, N. H.," and several other meritorious works illustrating local and family history. The genealogy is well traced. The book is illustrated by portraits and other engravings, and has an index.

The book on the Gallup family seems to be carefully compiled, and is well arranged. The immigrant ancestor was John Gallop, who was prominent in early New England history. An Appendix gives valuable historical and genealogical matter relating to the family. The book has a good index.

The wills illustrating the ancestry of Harriot Coffin illustrate the history of several early New England families. The book has "two very good points. It puts into print a number of early wills, thus securing them from loss in case of accident to the originals; and it shows in small compass all that is known of the ancestry of one person," namely, the author's grandmother, Harriot Coffin. The book has an index.

The Tompkins book gives the ancestors and kindred of the children of Edward Tompkins, senior, on the paternal and maternal sides. It is well compiled, and is illustrated by tabular pedigrees.

The book on the Hamiltons of Olivestob, by the Rev. Mr. Eaton of New York city, author of "The Church of England in Nova Scotia," "Acadian Legends and Lyrics," etc., is an interesting account of an interesting family.

The book on the Ingersolls of Hampshire County, Massachusetts, contains a full record of that family. It is well compiled.

The book on the Crane family is a reprint of the articles on that family in the forty-sixth and forty-seventh volumes of the REGISTER, with important additions. A tabular pedigree is given. It is well printed, and illustrated by engravings.

The book on Owen Biddle contains a memoir of that patriot of the Revolution, and also other matters historical and genealogical. It contains a record of the descendants of Mr. Biddle, and an account of the Parke family, with which he intermarried. The book is well printed.

The Poole book gives the descendants of Edward Poole, an early settler of Weymouth, Mass. The author, Mr. Poole, of Ithaca, N. Y., has made a book deserving of much credit.

The Notes on the King Family are a reprint from the "Notes and Queries for Somerset and Dorset," of which periodical the author, Rev. Mr. Mayo, is one of the editors. Much interesting genealogical matter is preserved.

The next book is on the Parker family, descended from William Parker, an early settler of Connecticut, with some account of the Pond and Peck families. It is well compiled.

The Cowles family tree is a reduced copy of an original made about 1853, and now in the possession of Mr. William A. Cowles. It is printed for Capt. Calvin D. Cowles, Adjutant General U. S. A., who is preparing a genealogy of the family. The tree shows several generations of the descendants of John Cowles, an early settler of Connecticut.

The Barclay-Allardice pedigree gives the ancestry of Robert Barclay-Allardice, Esq., University Club, Edinburgh, Scotland, a native of Hamilton, Canada, through the Graham and Stuart families to Robert II. of Scotland.

The Turner pamphlet is in the form of a letter of A. J. Turner of Portage, Wisconsin, to Dr. F. J. Turner of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, giving an account of his line of the Turners.

The book on the Barber and Eno families furnishes brief accounts of those families. It is by George R. Howe, Esq., of Newark, N. J.

The pamphlet on the Waite family gives a brief account of Thomas Waite of Portsmouth, R. I., and his descendants. It is a good beginning for the full history of that family.

Mr. Sharpe of Seymour, Ct., still continues the publication of his monthly periodical, "The Sharpes." Eight new numbers have been received since our last notice. It is a good form for preserving genealogical materials.

The Trotman pamphlet is a collection of matter from wills, parish registers and other sources, illustrating the genealogy of the family of that name. Mr. Phillimore has collected a large amount of material that will be indispensable in compiling a genealogy of the family. It is illustrated with a portrait of John Trotman, inventor of the "Trotman Anchor."

The Kirkland pamphlet and the "Noyes Inscription and Memoranda" are reprints from the REGISTER for January 1894.

The pamphlet on the Fuller family is a reprint from the "Dedham Historical Register" for October 1893. It gives a record of the early generations of the Dedham family.

The ninth number of Mr. Dudley's "History of the Dudley Family" is issued. This number, with another which will soon be issued to be devoted entirely to an index, will complete the work, and make a volume of over a thousand pages. This number contains genealogical and biographical matter relating to several families descended from Governor Thomas Dudley, and is illustrated with portraits. In the whole work a mass of information is preserved relative to the Dudley family and its kindred.

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The Career of Benjamin Franklin. By Samuel A. Green, M.D. Phila. 1894. 8vo., pp. 14.

Origin and Growth of the Library of the Massachusetts Historical Society. By Samuel A. Green, M.D. Cambridge. 1893. 8vo. pp. 35.

Memoir of Hon. Levi Woodbury, LL.D. By Charles Levi Woodbury. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 10.

The University Library and the University Curriculum. By Wm. F. Poole, LL.D. Chicago; New York; Toronto. 1894. 16mo. pp. 55.

Memoir of the Hon. Josiah G. Abbott, LL.D. By Charles Cowley, LL.D. Boston. 1892. 8vo. pp. 92.

An Alphabetical Abstract of the Record of Births in the Town of Dedham, Mass. 1844–1890. Compiled by Don Gleason Hill. Dedham. 1894. 8vo. pp. xviii. + 208.

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Rev. Stephen Peabody and Wife of Atkinson, N. H. By Wm. C. Todd, A.M. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 13.

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Memorial of Rev. J. H. Bisbee. 1893. 12mo. pp. 64.

Transactions of the Royal Historical Society. New Series. Vol. VII. London. 1893. 8vo. pp. 323.

Catalogue of the Library of the Long Island Historical Society. 1863–1893. Brooklyn. 1893. 4to. pp. 801.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

HERALDRY.—The Société Belge de Libraire, Bruxelles, Belgique, will publish the Dictionnaire des Figures Héraldique, par le Comte Théodore de Renesse, membre Suppléant du Conseil Héraldique. It is practically a dictionary of heraldic figures with the names of the bearers, somewhat similar to the "Papworth Ordinary of British Armorials," but founded on the famous "Armorial Général" by the late J. B. Rietstap, in which the surnames are arranged alphabetically; these two volumes, containing about 105,000 coats of arms, are at present the most important work on general European heraldry; and the forthcoming dictionary, which may be considered a companion, will fill a much needed place in European heraldic bibliography.

The society will issue this work in about fifteen numbers, each number containing about one hundred two-column pages, with one plate of arms; the cost of each number being four francs. Subscription, will be received by Monsieur Oscar Schepens, Director of the Society at Bruxelles.

A. D. WELD FRENCH.

THE LIST OF BRITISH OFFICERS SERVING IN AMERICA, 1755 TO 1774.—This list has called out information from the descendants of these officers. It is to be hoped that this may lead to a regular compilation, giving more in detail the services and army records of these officers, both in America and elsewhere. The compiler of the list has expressed the wish that any person who can contribute such information will send it to him for record and preservation. The address is Mr. Worthington C. Ford, Metropolitan Club, Washington, D. C.

COLLECTIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The second volume of the Collections has for some years been "out of print" and scarce. A number of copies have lately been found in the loft of a bindery—where they had remained for over twenty years. The volume contains J. H. Trumbull's paper on Algonquin Geographical Names; Papers on the Church Controversy, Hartford, 1656–59; Correspondence of Silas Deane, 1774–76. The Society will be pleased to know of other historical societies and libraries which lack this volume.

FRANK B. GAY, Secretary.

Hartford, Conn.

SUFFOLK MANORIAL FAMILIES.—The first part of the work of Joseph J. Muskett, Esq., under this title, announced by us in the REGISTER for October, 1891, page 315, we learn is in print, and will soon be issued. Among pedigrees will be found that of Winthrop of Suffolk and America, together with wills and other evidences. The second part will give, amongst others, Downing of Suffolk and New England; and the third part Burroughs of Suffolk and New England. Many of the pedigrees in the first and second parts will be altogether new to genealogists. The address of Mr. Muskett is 11 Talbot Road, South Tottenham, London, to whom subscriptions and remittances should be addressed.

SPARHAWK.—The Philadelphia Repository and Weekly Register for 1803: "Deaths. May 14, 1803, Dr. John Sparhawk aged 72 a native of Massachusetts, but has resided in this city upwards of forty years."

REMICH.—An interesting account of the copy of the Landing of the British troops in Boston, 1768, owned by the Essex Institute and mentioned in the REGISTER, Vol. 47, p. 476, may be found in the Essex Institute Collections, Vol. V. W. K. WATKINS.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Boardman.—A Genealogy of the Boardman Family, descendants of Samuel Boreman of Wethersfield, is being compiled by Miss Charlotte Goldthwaite of Hartford, Ct. Communications from members of the family and others interested are desired.

Buzzell.—Rev. H. L. Buzzell of Fairhaven, Mass., is compiling a genealogy of the Buzzell, Buswell, Boswell and Bussell Families in America, and will be glad of any items relating to these families.

Cowles.—A genealogy in preparation by Capt. C. D. Cowles, U. S. A., 141 P St., Washington, D. C.

Dodge.—The Genealogy of the Dodge Family of Essex Co., Mass., by Joseph T. Dodge of Madison, Wis., is in press and to be published in May.

Lamborn.—The Genealogy of the Lamborn Family, which has been in preparation for the past seven years, is now in press and will be ready for delivery in July of the present year. The large number of descendants filling prominent public and private positions of honor in all parts of this country will make this a desirable book of reference in public libraries. Price, $6.00.

Lanman.—Mrs. M. P. Ferris, Garden City, N. Y., has in preparation a history of the Lanman Family. Correspondence of descendants desired, and any notes bearing on Lanman or Landman.

The New-England Historical and Genealogical Register

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The books will make an excellent present, especially from members of the Society to their friends. Only a small edition is printed, and the first volume is out of print. Those who wish the remaining volumes should secure at once the copies they want. Address:

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WATERS'S ENGLISH RESEARCHES.

IT is with much satisfaction that attention is called to the Gleanings of Mr. Waters contained in the last six numbers of the REGISTER; and it is hoped that persons, who have not yet contributed, will be led to become subscribers for the purpose of ensuring the further publication of similar matter. There is still much more to be found and printed, and the money thus far received each year has been only enough to give Mr. Waters a decent remuneration and to pay for the printing. A larger sum could be used to great advantage. Subscriptions may be sent to 18 Somerset St., either to J. W. DEAN, Editor of the Register, or to WM. S. APPLETON, Chairman of the Committee on English Research.

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Sermons for the Church. By CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, D.D. Pastor (*pro tem*) of Christ's Church, Longwood. Boston: Geo. H. Ellis, 141 Franklin Street. 1893. 12mo, pp. 275.

These sermons of Dr. Bradlee's are clear, direct, practical and forceful. They are, what Bishop Brooks said in his Lectures on Preaching (a book that Dr. Steenstra used to advise the students at the Theological School to read through carefully once a year) sermons ought to be: "Good tools to work with." That is to say, the sermon is not or should not be an end in itself, but merely a means toward an end. A sermon may be from a literary point of view quite artistic, it may be as nearly faultless in its construction as any human production can be, and yet it may utterly fail to meet its true purpose, to reach down into and touch deeply the heart and soul of man. To quote Bishop Brooks again: "Preaching is the communication of truth by man to men. It has in it two essential elements, truth and personality." Now, given this determination on the part of the minister to preach the simple gospel truth, and an earnest effort to present it with all the power he is capable of, there is no reason why he will not be able to win souls to Christ. Let no one think for a moment that the influence of the pulpit is waning. It is now, as it has been, a mighty factor in the development of Christianity, in the saving of immortal souls. It may be true that,—owing to the rapid growth and great efficiency of the daily press, and the constant multiplication of books,—the pulpit may not exercise the same influences as formerly in certain directions. But surely this is no detriment to Christianity, it does not detract from its influence. The object of the pulpit is to preach "Jesus Christ and Him crucified"; to urge with all the fire and force it is capable of the acceptance of the eternal truths of the Christian faith as set forth in the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds; to insist upon the necessary amount of dogmatic teaching, the belief in the historic events connected with the life of our Lord Jesus Christ; to insist upon obedience to the moral law which has its source in the very being of God. In a word, the pulpit deals with the deepest and profoundest questions of human life; questions which lie at the basis of the life that now is and of that which is

to come; questions which no thoughtful person may ignore, bearing as they do on the eternal welfare of the human soul. The Christian looks with clear vision from the present to the future; from the transitory to the permanent; the present life,—passing like a panorama before him,—takes its due position, its true perspective in the grand procession of the ages yet to be.

The duty of the pulpit is to fire the hearts and souls of men with ardent admiration and passionate love for the divine exemplar of our faith, the Saviour and Redeemer of our souls. There probably never was a time when there were more sermons published than to-day, and yet, however helpful they may be, however great their influence for good, men will not be satisfied with anything less than the spoken word fresh from the heart of the minister of the gospel. The pulpit is and ever will be one of the most powerful forces for good in the world. Men will ever hunger and thirst for the precious promises of the gospel, which nothing but glowing, heartfelt preaching will satisfy.

We hear many complaints to-day about the large body of non church-going people in the cities and towns of our land. This indifference may be owing to many causes: to the spread of agnostic literature; to the prevalence of the Sunday newspapers—some fairly good, some positively harmful. But whatever the causes of this lax observance of the Sabbath, of the Lord's Day, may be (a day that our forefathers respected and held very dear), we cannot help admitting the evil and also the duty devolving upon us to do what we can to overcome it. And now is the time for the Christian Churches to rise more fully (although splendid work is now being done) to the great opportunities, demands and exigencies of the present. "The field is white unto the harvest." But the laborers are few. And then the clergy have other duties beside that of preaching the gospel. More men ought to be put into the field. Oh if more of the students in our colleges who are about to take up their life-work could get the enthusiasm, the love of souls—which has inspired the lives of so many Christians—if they could only feel that they have a mission, a message to carry to men, they would then look forward with eagerness to a life in the ministry, as the happiest, the most sacred that a man can lead, and (even more than this) as fraught with the greatest opportunities for serving God and their fellow men.

By the Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Cambridge.

Magazine of the Daughters of the Revolution. A Quarterly. Vol. 1-2, 1893 to 1894. Price $1.00 per annum.

Since the Centennial Celebration of American Independence, there has been much greater interest manifested in our ancestors than formerly throughout the country. Two Societies—The Sons of the Revolution, and The Sons of the American Revolution—have grown up. Likewise two Societies of Daughters. The Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has its headquarters at Washington, and is about six months the elder, dating from 1891. The Society of the Daughters of the Revolution has its headquarters in New York City, at 64 Madison avenue. This Society from the beginning has insisted on *proven* "lineal descent from an ancestor who, as a military or naval or marine officer, soldier, sailor or marine in actual service, under the authority of any of the Thirteen Colonies or States, or of the Continental Congress, and remaining always loyal to such authority, or a descendant of one who signed the Declaration of Independence or of one who was a member of the Continental Congress, or of the Congress of any of the Colonies or States as an official appointed by or under the authority of any such representative bodies, actually assisting in the establishment of American Independence by service rendered during the War of the Revolution, becoming thereby liable to conviction of treason against the government of Great Britain, but remaining always loyal to the authority of the Colonies or States, shall be eligible to membership." The General Secretary is Mrs. D. Phœnix Ingraham. Where information is desired in regard to either Society, the secretary is the one to whom to apply. Both Societies are doing most excellent work. Each one has an official magazine, publishing reports of its meetings and celebrations. The Magazine of the Daughters of the Revolution for 1893 is full of interest. It has many pedigrees of its members, reports of Chapter Regents, traditions, facts, lists of patriots, and also many old historical papers. The Torrey papers by Mr. William Torrey are most excellent. Even in the short time it has been in

existence, it has preserved many facts which otherwise would be lost. The Society celebrated the anniversary of Bunker Hill in 1893 in Old South Church. Mrs. Wm. Lee, wife of the senior member of Lee & Sheppard publishing house, is state Regent. Headquarters for Massachusetts, 10 Milk street, Boston. We see by the reports that the organization is spreading throughout the Union, from Texas to California, to Minnesota and Maine.

By Mrs. Charles L. Alden, of Troy, N. Y.

Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636–1850. Compiled by JAMES N. ARNOLD.

We are pleased to record the fact that Volumes V. and VI. of this great genealogical work have been published, thereby covering the entire State, and thus completing the main feature of the work. If the General Assembly will be pleased to again extend its aid, Mr. Arnold intends to publish a supplementary volume or two, which will include the Church, newspaper and other semi-public record of the same period as the main portion of the work. While this will naturally repeat much that has been formerly treated in his work, yet being repeated from another public source, especially if the two agree, will fix the accuracy of the date beyond doubt. If they disagree the scholar must then weigh both authorities and decide as best suits himself. The work is indeed a very praiseworthy enterprise, and we venture to say no scholar who is interested in the subject here treated will fail to recognize its merit. To be able to consult a work in which a whole State's record of vital statistics is covered from its first settlement to a very modern date, covering a period of two centuries, is a pleasure very rarely afforded a scholar. If some one with Mr. Arnold's love and enthusiasm for his subject would take each a single county of Massachusetts and work it up as thoroughly as he has his State, what a valuable labor would thus be performed.

The people of his native State certainly owe him a vote of thanks for this great labor of love.

We are pleased to add that his State does appreciate him; and the liberal manner the General Assembly aided the publication speaks volumes in his praise.

The price of the six volumes, thus far published, is five dollars each, except Newport County, which is seven and a half dollars. The work is nearly 3200 pages, and contains 130,000 items. * *

Index Library. Index to Wills Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1383–1558, and now Preserved in the Principal Probate Registry, Somerset House, London. Compiled by J. CHALLENOR C. SMITH, Superintendent of the Literary Department, Probate Registry, Somerset House. London: Issued to Subscribers to the British Record Society, Limited. 1893. 8vo. pp. XXXV.+305.

The readers of Mr. Waters's "Gleanings," in the REGISTER, have some idea of the value as materials for history and genealogy, of the Wills proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, now preserved at Somerset House. Mr. Smith, the compiler of this work, contributed to the REGISTER for July, 1892, a descriptive account of the "Will Registers" of that Court. The office which the compiler held so long, that of Superintendent of the Literary Department of that Registry, gave him facilities which he has made use of to prepare the work before us. It will be a great help to those who have occasion to consult these Registers, and to those who wish to ascertain what wills are recorded there.

This is one of the many valuable serials which have been issued in instalments in the Index Library published by the British Record Society. It was commenced over three years ago, and the instalment in the number for March, 1894, the last received, reached the letter N. The first volume, now before us, was completed in the number for December last. It ends with the letter J. Another volume we presume will complete the work undertaken, and give us a perfect index to the wills from 1383, in the reign of Richard II., to 1558, the beginning of Queen Elizabeth's reign.

We cannot give a better idea of the value of this index than by quoting the following from the announcement of the work by the Record Society: "How great an improvement this Calendar is on the old ones hitherto available, those accustomed to search in the literary room will most appreciate. For the in-

formation of others, it may be well to say that the ancient calendars, of which there is one for each year, give no further clue to the identity of testators than is afforded by the surname and the Christian name. In this new Calendar, Mr. Smith has arranged the whole of the testamentary documents for the one hundred and seventy-six years anterior to the commencement of Queen Elizabeth's reign in one lexicographical index, so that the references to any given surname may now be obtained in fewer minutes than hitherto it has taken days. Moreover, the residence and occupation of each testator, when given in the records, is invariably added; and not content with this, Mr. Smith has in numberless cases added other counties named in the Wills, a boon which for purposes of identification is simply invaluable. The value of the work for consultation will be found much increased by the arrangement adopted of placing all names under the most usual modern spelling in heavy type, while the form actually occurring in the Will is indicated, when it varies from the normal form in ordinary Roman letter. The ancient spellings are entered in their proper places, and ample cross references are given."

Mr. Smith prefixes to this volume an "Introduction," giving much valuable information as to the manner of keeping records of probate matters and the administration of probate affairs in the metropolis of England.

An Historical Sketch of Groton, Massachusetts, 1655–1891. By SAMUEL A. GREEN. Groton: 1894. 12mo. pp. 5+253.

Ex-Mayor Green of Boston has preserved in print much material relating to the history of his native town of Groton, Mass. Among his works of this nature may be named three volumes of the Groton Historical Series, 1887–1893; Groton Epitaphs, 1878; A Brief Account of Some of the Early Settlers of Groton, 1878; Groton Records, 1880; Groton During the Indian Wars, 1883; and Boundary Lines of Old Groton, 1885.

This series of books will be a great assistance to any one who writes a full and complete history of Groton, which no one could do better than Dr. Green himself. The volume before us gives a compendium of the history of that town. It was written originally for and appeared in the second volume of a History of Middlesex County, published in Philadelphia in 1890. A few copies were then struck off separately. This reprint will be found handy to those who wish to learn the principal facts in the history of Groton.

Dr. Green has set a good example for those who take pride in the annals of the town in which they were born.

Suffolk Manorial Families, being the County Visitations and other Pedigrees. Edited with Extensive Additions by JOSEPH JAMES MUSKETT, Corresponding Member of the Historic Genealogical Society of New England. Vol. I. Part I. Privately Printed. Exeter: William Pollard & Co., Printers and Lithographers. 1894. Royal 4to. pp. 40. It will be issued to subscribers only, in Parts of forty pages, price 5 shillings each; and the number printed will be restricted to 250 copies. Address the Editor, care of J. Muskett Yetts, Esq., 56 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, England.

Since the issue of our April number, the first part of Mr. Muskett's "Suffolk Manorial Families," which was announced by us in October, 1891, as in preparation, has been published, and is now before us. As no adequate history of Suffolk has been printed, this work will be welcomed by many students of family history, particularly in this country, whose early settlers came so largely from this part of England. Mr. Muskett has had much experience in genealogical research, and has been engaged many years in collecting materials for this book. The descents, in this work, "founded upon Wills, Depositions, post-mortems, deeds, parish registers, and other ancient records, are to be brought down, when possible, to the present time."

The part before us is devoted to the families of Winthrop of Groton, Ponder of Braintree, and Sharpe of Islington. The article on the Winthrops of Groton, the ancestors of our distinguished New England family of that name, will particularly interest our readers. It is enriched with wills, deeds, visitations, and other records illustrating the history of the family. It is brought down to our own day, and includes the venerable Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, LL.D., who has held and honored the offices of United States senator, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and president of the Massachusetts Historical

Society. We hope our readers will show their appreciation of Mr. Muskett's invaluable work by a liberal support of the undertaking.

The second part, which is in press, will, we learn, contain a larger number of families.

Agricultural Bibliography of Maine: Biographical Sketches of Maine Writers on Agriculture, with a Catalogue of their Works, and an Index to the Volumes on the Agriculture of Maine, from 1850 to 1892. By SAMUEL L. BOARDMAN. Augusta: Printed for the Author. 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 117.

Mr. Boardman, the author of the book before us, is an able writer, and has contributed much to agricultural and literary periodicals besides having been the editor of several agricultural newspapers. He has evidently spent much time in the preparation of this book. An Introduction of eighteen pages gives a historical sketch of Agriculture and Agricultural Literature in Maine. It is illustrated by a fac-simile of the title-page of the "Rural Socrates," the first book relating to agriculture published in Maine. It was published anonymously, but was written by Benjamin Vaughan, LL.D., of Hallowell, of whom the late John H. Sheppard, A.M., wrote an interesting account for the REGISTER for October, 1865. The Bibliography is arranged alphabetically. The sketches of writers are prepared with great care as to accuracy and fulness. The book is embellished with a portrait of Ezekiel Holmes, the first secretary of the Maine Board of Agriculture, a view of the offices of the Maine Experiment Station, a view of the Laboratory of that station, and a view of the grounds of the Maine State College. A fac-simile of the title-page of the "Northern Shepherd," the first original treatise on Maine Agriculture, is also given.

A Monograph. Mesheck Weare. By EZRA S. STEARNS. Privately Printed. Concord, N. H.: Republican Press Association. 1894. Sm. 4to. pp. 22.

Though Mesheck Weare was one of the most prominent figures in New Hampshire history, this is the first attempt to give a complete narrative of his life. The author of the pamphlet, Mr. Stearns, who is the Secretary of State of New Hampshire, and has written several admirable town histories, is particularly well qualified for the task he has undertaken. He has succeeded in doing justice to the memory of a deserving patriot.

Ancestral Charts, so Arranged as to Show any Number of Generations and Record of Ancestral Honors, Heirlooms, Portraits, Coat-Armor, etc. Arranged by HOWARD R. GUILD and EBEN PUTNAM. Salem, Mass.: Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1893. Large 4to. pp. 53. Price $1.50 cloth, or $3.00 half leather.

Phillimore's Pedigree Forms. Comprising, 1, Ancestral Tablets; 2, Seize Quartiers Tablets; 3, Blank Shields; 4, Ruled Pedigree Paper; 5, Instructions. London: To be obtained from the Author, W. P. W. Phillimore, 124 Chancery Lane, or Charles J. Clark, 4 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, England. 1894. 8vo. Price for one set in envelope, 1 shilling. Continuation sheets for 1 shilling per packet.

Various forms have been devised for recording the ancestors of an individual, such as that of Mr. Lemuel Shattuck, one of the founders of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, which he published in 1841 in his "Complete System of Family Registration"; that of William H. Whitmore, in his "Ancestral Tablets," 1868; that of the late Edwin Hubbard, in his "Ancestral Records," 1870, and "Our Children and their Ancestry," 1875; that of John Milton Hawks, M.D., in his "Album of Genealogy and Biography," 1874; that of Miss Emma F. Ware, in her "Family Genealogical Record," 1885; and that of Rev. Frederick W. Bailey, in his "Record of My Ancestry," 1892. Most of these have been noticed in the REGISTER.

Two new forms are before us, and their titles are given above. One is devised by two Americans, and the other by an Englishman. They are both well adapted for the purpose for which they are designed. Each has distinctive features, and each has particular merits. They, like their predecessors, consist mainly of blank forms in which can be recorded the names and other details of the ancestors of the person to whom the book is devoted. Messrs. Guild and Putnam say in their book that their object has been "to supply a simple method of recording ancestry, and allowing for the admission of new

material." Mr. Phillimore says in his work that "The blank pedigree forms hitherto in use are not altogether suited for the needs of English genealogists, and the present set has therefore been prepared."

History of the Town of Harvard, Massachusetts, 1732-1893. By HENRY S. NOURSE, A.M. Harvard: Printed for Warren Hapgood. 1894. 8vo. pp. 605.

The "Introduction" to this volume contains a correspondence between Warren Hapgood, Esq., of Boston, a native of Harvard, and the Hon. Henry S. Nourse of Lancaster, the author of several works of merit on the local history of Lancaster, and other historical subjects, by which it is seen that the plan of preparing a history of Harvard originated with Mr. Hapgood, who liberally provided for all the outlay incurred, but has shown an untiring interest in the book, and has otherwise rendered valuable aid. Mr. Hapgood has furnished an example that natives of other towns, who have the requisite means, would do well to follow.

Harvard was incorporated June 29, 1732, and was made up of parts of Groton, Lancaster and Stow. The Nashaway Valley, in which it is situated, has an interesting history. Mr. Hapgood, in his letter, says: "In no part of our country were the pioneers beset by greater trials, toil and danger, than in New England, and probably none suffered more than those who lived within sight of Wachusett. The little colony of Lancaster was for many years constantly menaced by savage foes, and as the larger portion of Harvard was originally included in Lancaster, she shared the same experiences."

Mr. Nourse has made an admirable history. He gives accounts of the Nashaway Indians, the pioneer settlers of the Nashaway Valley, the topography and natural history of Harvard, the annals of the town, the ecclesiastical history, the military annals, including the Revolutionary war and the late Rebellion; the educational history, including schools, lyceums and libraries; and the social, political and industrial history of the place. A chapter is devoted to the Bibliography of Harvard, showing the local authorship.

The book makes a handsome volume, and is well indexed.

Records and Papers of the New London County Historical Society. Part V. Vol. I. Published by the Society, New London, Connecticut. 1894. 8vo. pp. 60.

The pamphlet before us contains the proceedings of the New London County Historical Society at it annual meeting, held in the Society's room, New London, on Wednesday, September 6, 1893, and the papers read at that meeting. The first paper here printed is by Rev. S. L. Blake, D.D., on "Gurdon Saltonstall: Scholar, Preacher and Statesman." It gives an able sketch of the life of Gov. Saltonstall. The author says: "These annals have covered one of the most tumultuous periods of our colonial history. They have concerned some of the greatest men who figured in the early days of this most marvelous country. The chief figure among them all who was prominent in the civil, social and ecclesiastical affairs of this colony and of this city, for more than thirty years, was Gurdon Saltonstall."

The next article in the pamphlet is "Orders drawn by the Selectmen of New London" on the town treasurer, January 18, 1764, to August 3, 1766. Following it is "Memoirs of George Washington, Esq., Commander-in-Chief of the American Forces," reprinted from *The Universal Magazine* of London, March, 1781, "six months before the surrender of Cornwallis"; and "Anecdotes of the late celebrated American General Putnam," reprinted from the same magazine for December, 1781. It is credited in the magazine to "The General History of Connecticut," then recently issued, which, though published anonymously, is now known to be by the unreliable Rev. Samuel Peters. The memoir of Washington states that "An ancestor of this gentleman, about the period of the Revolution, sold his property near Cave, in the East Riding of Yorkshire, and came over to Virginia, where he purchased land," &c. Can the statement that Gen. Washington's emigrant ancestor came from Cave in Yorkshire be traced to an earlier source than this?

Lincoln County Probate Records. Compiled by WILLIAM D. PATTERSON of Wiscasset. Portland, Maine, U. S. A.: Maine Genealogical Society. 8vo. Published monthly in Parts of 16 pages each. Price 25 cts. a part. Parts I. to VIII. pp. 128.

This work was commenced November 15, 1893, and the 8th part appeared on the 15th of June. Lincoln County was incorporated June 19, 1760. Previous to that date the whole of the District now the State of Maine made but one county, named York; and the wills of the whole county from 1640 to 1760 were printed in one volume in 1887, and was noticed in the REGISTER. The administrations and other probate records were not included in that volume. We trust that some one will copy, edit and print them; and continue the whole probate records at least to the close of the last century.

Three counties were formed in 1760 of that territory, viz., York, Cumberland and Lincoln. The probate records of Cumberland County were burnt in the great fire at Portland in 1866. Fortunately, those of the two other counties are preserved.

Mr. Patterson and the Maine Genealogical Society are doing a good work by printing the probate records of Lincoln County, and thus placing them beyond the risk of loss by accident or malice. The wills are printed verbatim. Abstracts of the other records sufficiently full for the genealogist are given. "Lincoln county included nearly all the territory in Maine north and east of the Androscoggin river. Some of it was taken in 1769 to form Washington and Hancock counties; in 1799, Kennebec county; Waldo in 1827; Androscoggin and Sagadahock in 1834, and Knox in 1860."

The eight parts before us contain the records from November, 1760, to May, 1784, about a quarter of a century. They contain a great amount of historical as well as genealogical matter, and deserve a generous support.

Annual Register of Officers and Members of the Society of Colonial Wars. Constitution of the General Society. Published by Authority of the General Assembly. New York. January, 1894. 8vo. pp. 215+xxix.

The Society of Colonial Wars for the State of New York, the first society of this kind organized, was formed Aug. 18, 1893; that for Pennsylvania Jan. 23, that for Maryland Feb. 28, that for Massachusetts April 5, and that for Connecticut April 20. On the 9th of May, 1893, delegates from the societies for these five states and for the District of Columbia, met for the formation of a General Society in New York city, in the Governor's Room, City Hall, and were in session two days. A Constitution was adopted May 10, and the general officers were elected.

The book before us is the first annual volume of the General Society, of which Frederick J. de Peyster is Governor-General. The volume contains the Constitution of the General Society. Under the different states full lists of the officers and members are given. The members of each state are arranged alphabetically, and a brief statement of the offices held by the various ancestors whose services entitle the members to a place in the Society. Some members have a right to membership on account of the services of a dozen or more ancestors.

The Society "has been instituted," to use the words of its constitution, "to perpetuate the memory of those events, and of the men who, in military, naval and civil positions of high trust and responsibility, by their acts or counsel, assisted in the establishment, defense and preservation of the American Colonies, and were in truth the founders of this nation."

The members are deserving of credit for the work they are doing to preserve the memory of the services of the worthies of Colonial days.

Upton Family Records; being Genealogical Collections for an Upton Family History. By WILLIAM HENRY UPTON, M.A., LL.M. (Privately Printed.) London: Mitchell & Hughes, 140 Wardens Street, W. 1893. 4to pp. xiv.+518. A few copies can be obtained of George E. Littlefield, 67 Cornhill, Boston, or of the author, Hon. William H. Upton of Walla-Walla, Washington, or of the printers, London. Price sixteen dollars.

Burhans Genealogy. Descendants from the First Ancestor in America, Jacob Burhans, 1660, and his son, Jan Burhans, 1663 to 1893. Compiled by SAMUEL BURHANS, Jr. New York: Printed for Private Distribution. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. v.+799+xl.

The Hoadley Genealogy. A History of the Descendants of William Hoadley of Branford, Conn., Together with Some Account of Other Families of the Name. By FRANCIS BACON TROWBRIDGE. New Haven. Printed for the Author. 1894. 8vo. pp. 288. Price $5.

Genealogy of the Dodge Family of Essex County, Mass., 1629–1894. By JOSEPH THOMPSON DODGE, Ph.D. Madison, Wis.: Democrat Printing Company, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. v.+448. Price $5, postpaid. Sold by the Author, 346 West Washington Avenue, Madison, Wis.

Genealogy of the Ainsworth Families in America. By FRANCIS J. PARKER. Boston: Printed for the Compiler. 1894. 8vo. pp. 212.

Genealogical Records of Henry and Ulalia Burt, the Emigrants who Early Settled at Springfield, Mass., and their Descendants through Nine Generations from 1640 to 1891. By RODERICK H. BURNHAM, Hartford, Conn. Published by Miss Elizabeth Burt of Warwick, N. Y. 1892. 8vo. pp. 347.

Memoranda relating to the Ancestry and Family of Hon. Levi Parsons Morton, Vice President of the United States, 1889-1893. By JOSIAH GRANVILLE LEACH, LL.B. Cambridge: Printed at the Riverside Press. 1894. 8vo. pp. 7+191.

Bates and Fletcher Genealogical Register. 1892. 4to. pp. 58.

The Genealogy of the Family of Elihu Parsons Wilson of Kittery, Me. Born 1769, died 1834. By FRED. A. WILSON. 8vo. pp. 38.

The Genealogy of the Family of Nathaniel Wilson of Kittery, Me. Born 1760, died 1841. By FRED. A. WILSON. 8vo. pp. 25.

Collections relating to the Family of Stiff. By W. P. W. PHILLIMORE, M.A., B.C.L. Part I. The origin of the Surname. The Medieval Stiffs of Hawkesbury. Printed for Private Circulation by John White, Stroud, Gloucestershire. 1892. 8vo. pp. 42.

Genealogy of the Family of Watts of Neen Savage. By W. P. W. PHILLIMORE, M.A., B.C.L. Printed for Private Circulation at the "Chronicle" office, St. John's Hill, Shrewsbury. 1894. 8vo. pp. 12.

The Ogdens of South Jersey. The Descendants of John Ogden of Fairfield, Conn., and New Fairfield, N. Y. 8vo. pp. 36. A few copies for sale by Miss L. Sherman, Morristown, N. J. Price $1.

Genealogical History of the Duncan Stuart Family in America. One Branch and its Connections, Together with a Tracing of the Ancestry and Origin of the Various Branches. By JOSEPH A. STUART. 1894. 12mo. pp. 180.

Sanford Genealogy: The Branch of William of Madison, N. Y., of the Sixth American Generation. By HEMAN HOWES SANFORD. Syracuse, N. Y.: 1894. 8vo. pp. 70. Price $1 for 2 copies. Address Heman H. Sanford, Ostrom Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

Whitcomb Memorial. Ancestry and Descendants of Col. Jonathan Priest Whitcomb. By J. B. WHITCOMB, Berkeley, Cal. San Francisco: Published Privately. 1893. Large 12mo. pp. 32.

The Stearns Family Record. By JOHN P. STEARNS. Santa Barbara, Cal. 1894. Large 12mo. pp. 7.

Genealogy. Descendants of Jonathan Rich. Prepared by GEORGE RICH. Columbus, Ohio: Press of Nitschke Brothers. 1892. 8vo. pp. 39.

The Leavens Name: its Origin and its Track through New England to Northern Vermont. By F. P. LEAVENS, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Passaic, N. J. 1889. Thurston & Barker, Printers, Passaic, N. J. 12mo. pp. 25.

Genealogy of the Runyan Family. Compiled by HENRY RUNYAN. Princeton, N. J. 1891. 8vo. pp. 8+1. Price 50 cts. Sold by the Author, Princeton, N. J.

Genealogy of the Osborn Family. Compiled by HENRY RUNYAN. Princeton, N. J. 1891. 8vo. pp. 11. Price 50 cts. Sold by the author, Princeton, N. J.

The Descendants of John Bedell who lived in the Passaic Valley, New Jersey. With an Appendix, 1885. 8vo. pp. 19+lii.

Descendants of Rowland Ellis and Sallie Abrams of Massachusetts. By FRANK R. ELLIS, 137 Walnut St., Cincinnati, Ohio. 4to. pp. 6.

Hooker. From the Genealogical Notes of Commander E. Hooker, U. S. N. 4to. pp. 5.

Rev. William Adams of Madison Square Church, New York City, with his Adams and Bradford Lines of Descent. By EMILY WILDER LEAVITT. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 11.

Remarks on the Maverick Family and Ancestry of Gov. Simon Bradstreet. By ISAAC J. GREENWOOD. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1894. 8vo. pp. 8.

We continue in this number our notices of books and pamphlets relating to genealogy.

The first book on our list is devoted to the Upton Family, and is by Hon. William H. Upton of Walla-Walla, in the State of Washington. Judge Upton has devoted many years to the collection of material for the history of the Uptons; and in this book has attempted "to record all that could be learned concerning *any Upton who ever lived anywhere* in the world." To do this he has spared no expense of time or money. The book is a monument to the family of which the author may justly feel proud. It is handsomely printed, in clear type, on fine white paper with wide margins. It is illustrated with engravings of arms and autographs. The author gives "exact copies of every known ancient pedigree from the Heralds' College, British Museum, etc.; abstracts of more than two hundred and thirty Upton wills or records of administration dated prior to 1760; records of baptisms, marriages and burials of Uptons from ninety English parishes; and abstracts of marriage licenses, university matriculations, ancient deeds and Upton data from rare books, etc." The history of the family in this country is fully recorded. A genealogy of the various branches of the Upton race, from the earliest date to the present time, will be found in these pages. Full indexes filling eighty pages are given.

The Burhans Genealogy is another work that has been got up in the best style of such books, without regard to the expenditure of time or money. It makes a handsome volume of over eight hundred pages, and is profusely illustrated with portraits of a high order of execution, and by other engravings. A facsimile of a Burhans deed dated 1677 embellishes the volume. The emigrant ancestor of this family, Jacob Burhans, came to America as early as 1660, as a soldier in the employ of Gov. Stuyvesant. In 1663 his son Jan came here. The author in his preface describes the difficulties under which the book was compiled. "When this genealogy was begun," he says, "it was truly pioneer work." During the last few years the founding of various societies dependent on a knowledge of family history has led to a wider opening of facilities to such an end; local histories, numerous copies of church records, etc., have smoothed the paths of research. But few such aids were attainable when this work was mainly accomplished, and especially was this the case in regard to Holland families settled in Ulster County, N. Y., where we find the Burhans ancestors early made their home. The book has a very full index, and is in every way to be commended.

The third book is on the Hoadley family. The main portion of the volume is devoted to the history of the descendants of William Hoadley, who settled in Branford, Conn., in 1666, and the history of the descendants of Thomas Hoadley of Hartland, Vt. There is also an account of the family of John Hoadly of Guilford, Conn., 1639, who returned to England, and was the grandfather of Bishop Benjamin Hoadley; and mention of other Hoadley families. The author has employed the same system of numbering the various families which he made use of in his Champion Genealogy. It is perhaps the simplest system in use. In regard to the family registers the genealogy is one of the most complete ever published. The male lines have been traced to the present generation, but the female lines have only the date of marriage and place of residence. The book is printed in a handsome octavo volume of 300 pages, with clear type and on fine white paper, thoroughly indexed, embellished by twenty-seven portraits and views, and an engraving of the Hoadley coat of arms. It is substantially and neatly bound in dark brown cloth. Extended biographical sketches of many of the heads of families and others are given.

The Dodge Family, the next book, is by the Hon. Joseph T. Dodge of Madison, Wis., who contributed to the REGISTER for October, 1892, an article giving the early generations of the Dodges of Essex County, Mass. He has devoted much time to collecting the materials for the book before us and compiling the same. At a meeting of the Dodge family at Salem, Mass., in 1879, a committee was appointed to prepare and publish a genealogy of the family; but though some material was collected no volume was prepared and published. What, however, the organization failed to accomplish has been done by an in-

dividual. The author "having done something in the field in 1875–6, and later, resumed the work in October, 1891, as a congenial pursuit, and to rescue from oblivion the early records of the family then rapidly being lost or destroyed." Mr. Dodge has been untiring in his researches, and has produced a volume of great merit. It is well arranged and well indexed.

Mr. Parker's "Genealogy of the Ainsworth Families in America" is chiefly devoted to the descendants of Edward Ainsworth, born about 1652, who came to this country and settled in Roxbury, but afterwards removed to Woodstock, Conn. He died March 5, 1740–1, aged about 89 years. His great grandson, Rev. Laban Ainsworth, the minister at Jaffrey, N. H., for over seventy-six years, lived to over one hundred years. The author has bestowed much labor in the collection of materials and in compiling this book, and has succeeded in making a full and satisfactory family history. Thirty pages are devoted to other Ainsworths, including those who cannot be connected with Edward Ainsworth, as well as those who clearly are not his descendants. The book is well printed, in clear type on white paper, and is well indexed. The author has compiled the book "in loving memory of his mother, Sarah Ainsworth Parker, daughter of Reverend Laban Ainsworth, minister of Jaffrey, New Hampshire."

The Burt Genealogy is by the late Mr. Burnham of Hartford, Conn., the author of the Burnham genealogy published a quarter of a century ago. The book was published by Miss Elizabeth Burt, of Warwick, N. Y. The emigrant ancestor of this family was Henry Burt, who settled at Roxbury, Mass., and, about 1638, after a short residence there removed to Springfield in the same colony. He died April 30, 1662. The book is well compiled, being clearly arranged with full and precise dates. Quite full extracts from public record are printed, relating particularly to the emigrant. The work has been ready for the press for some years, and it is owing to the interest of Miss Burt of Warwick in the history of the Burts that it was finally published. The book makes a handsome volume, and is illustrated by many fine portraits. It is well indexed.

Mr. Leach's Memoranda relating to the Ancestry of ex-Vice President Morton is well compiled, and makes a very interesting volume. Besides the Morton genealogy, to which sixty-seven pages are devoted, there are brief genealogies of the Hartpence, Hopkins, Stetson, Parsons, Strong, Stebbins, Sheldon, Frairy, Clapp, Holton, Hinsdale, Dickinson, Barnard, Marshfield, Foster and Rayne families. This book is printed on superior paper and embellished with fine portraits and other engravings. It has an index.

The Bates and Fletcher volume has been got up by the Hon. Theodore C. Bates of Worcester, and is primarily devoted to his branch of these two families. The portion relating to his grandfather, Capt. Jonathan Fletcher, and his great grandfather, Major Daniel Fletcher, who both did service in the Revolutionary war, is particularly interesting. The Bates family is descended from Clement Bates, an early settler of Hingham, Mass. It makes a handsome quarto volume and is well indexed.

The two following works by Mr. Wilson of Nahant, Mass., are bound together. His careful tracking and tracing of two lines of descent from Gowen Willson, the Kittery settler of 1647, is an example of patient labor through town, church and county records. For careful work and intelligent statement it is to be commended, as it presents in convenient form all that is to-day surely known of this ancient family, at one of its earliest locations in America.

The next two works on the Stiff and Watts families are by Mr. Phillimore of London, who is well known as an experienced genealogical writer. The Stiffs are an ancient Gloucestershire family, whose history Mr. Phillimore traces. Early wills and other documents relating to the family are printed. Views of the church at Hawkesbury where the Stiffs were seated are given. The Watts family, the subject of the second pamphlet, is a Shropshire family, seated at Neen Savage in that county. The surname, originally written Watson, was permanently shortened into Watts sometime between 1722 and 1743. The descendants of this family are fully traced in the work before us.

The "Ogdens of South New Jersey" is by Messrs. William Ogden Wheeler and Edmund D. Halsey of Morristown, N. J. The authors have done their work well. They think that the ancestor of John Ogden of Fairfield, Ct., was probably a brother of "Old John Ogden" of Elizabethtown, N. J. They have had records searched, and have corresponded extensively with various members of the family to obtain materials for a genealogy of the Ogdens.

Mr. Stuart, the author of the next work, has collected a great amount of in-

teresting matter concerning the Stuarts of Essex County, Massachusetts, and their descendants. The book is embellished with colored engravings of the Old Stewart or "clan" tartan, and the Stuart plaid.

The Sanford genealogy is chiefly devoted to the ancestry and descendants of William Sanford, born at Taunton, R. I., Sept. 27, 1757; died at Madison, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1837. The book is well compiled and well printed.

The Whitcomb genealogy gives the ancestry and descendants of Col. Jonathan P. Whitcomb, a great-great-grandson or John Whitcomb, who settled in Dorchester, Mass., as early as 1633, but removed to Scituate in 1640, and to Lancaster in 1654. Jonathan P. Whitcomb was born in Leominster, Mass., Jan. 14, 1740, and died at Swanzey, N. H., June 13, 1792. The book preserves much interesting matter. It is embellished with portraits.

The Stearns family, the subject of the next pamphlet, is a branch of the Stearns family that settled in Watertown, Mass., and concerning which much genealogical matter is preserved in Bond's Watertown. It seems to be carefully prepared.

Jonathan Rich, whose descendants are given in the next pamphlet, was born at Truro, on Cape Cod, August 20, 1771. He settled at Fort Covington, N. Y., where he died April 7, 1844. He was descended from the Rich family early settled on Cape Cod.

The Leavens pamphlet was prepared and read at the house of the widow of Hon. Paschal P. Leavens at West Berkshire, Vt., Aug. 24, 1889. It preserves much interesting family history.

The two pamphlets by Mr. Runyan of Princeton, N. J., on the Runyan and Osborne families, preserves the record of branches of those families. The Runyan family is descended from Hugh Runyan, born 1715, and died 1804. The Osborne family is traced to Jacob Osborne, born 1755, died 1808.

The author of the Bedell pamphlet is Edwin Bedell of Fairmont, New York city. The ancestor of this family, John Bedell, an early proprietor of lands in New Jersey, lived in what is now Morris County, N. J. The author has made an interesting pamphlet.

The next pamphlet gives the descendants of Rowland Ellis, born in Sandwich, Mass., Sept. 10, 1776, who died Oct. 25, 1807. We have here a good account of his descendants.

The Hooker pamphlet makes Rev. Thomas Hooker of Hartford, Ct. a cousin-nephew of the Rev. Richard Hooker, the author of "Ecclesiastical Polity," and a great-great-grandson of John[1] Hooker, mayor of the city of Exeter; through Robert,[2] mayor of Exeter; John,[3] M.D., antiquarian and historian, chancellor of the city of Exeter, and Thomas,[4] his father.

The next two pamphlets by Miss Leavitt of Boston, and Mr. Greenwood of New York city, are reprints from the REGISTER, and our readers know their merits.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE STATE OF MAINE.—Hon. Joseph Williamson of Belfast, Me., has prepared a Bibliography of that state from the earliest period to 1891, which will be published by the Maine Historical Society. It will make an octavo of over one thousand pages.

With a few classified exceptions the work aims to include the full title of every book, pamphlet, and magazine article ever written or published in, or concerning Maine, or of which her citizens were the authors. About 10,000 titles are thus given, and the names of over 2500 authors, with brief notices. It will contain numerous notes and cross references; the whole constituting a complete key to the biography, history and literature of the State.

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As the edition is limited, and will not be stereotyped, parties desiring the work will send in their subscription without delay. Address, The Maine Historical Society, Portland, Me.

CENTENARY OF FORT DEFIANCE.—August 8th, 1794, General Anthony Wayne, with his command, arrived at the confluence of the Auglaize and the Maumee rivers, and recognizing the favorable situation, soon had the point between the rivers fortified and named Fort Defiance. This Fort was an important point during the Indian wars following its erection, and also in the War of 1812.

The enterprising city of Defiance is beautifully situated on both sides of the rivers, and now numbers 10,000 inhabitants who have a just pride in the history of the "Old Fort Grounds," and they are taking great interest in the preparations for a suitable celebration of the Centennial Anniversary to continue three days, August 7th, 8th and 9th, 1894.

The pioneer societies of the Maumee Valley will participate in this celebration, and it is the desire of the citizens that all persons interested in the earlier history of the northwest territory be particularly invited. The governors of several states, and many other prominent men from a distance, have signified their intention to be present. All persons attending will be given a cordial welcome.

CHARLES E. SLOCUM, M.D.,
Of the Committee on Invitation.

Fort Defiance, Ind.

BUTLER.—I am seeking information concerning Nathaniel Butler and Abigail his wife, or John Butler and Mary his wife, both of which families lived at and owned property in Stafford, Tolland County, Conn., in 1750 and thereabouts, and their descendants continued residents of Stafford and vicinity for many years subsequent. I am specially desirous of ascertaining their previous residence, and who their ancestors were, and also just which of the several branches of the Butler family they trace into. Any assistance or suggestions will be very thankfully received by

F. O. BUTLER.

216 to 218 Monroe St., Chicago.

THE PROVINCIAL FLAG OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The *Pennsylvania Gazette* of January 12th and April 16th, 1748, gives a description of devices which Dr. Benjamin Franklin says (in his Autobiography) that he furnished for flags for the "Associators" of 1747, in Philadelphia. (Vide Sparks's Franklin, p. 146, for details.)

No mention is made in either issue of the color of the silks upon which these devices were painted. Can you, or any reader, put me in the way of finding out the color of the silk, especially that of the flag with device No. 1, "a lion erect, a naked scimitar in one paw, the other holding the escutcheon of Pennsylvania, motto '*Patria*'"?

FRANCIS OLCOTT ALLEN.

314 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, May 1, 1894.

TOWN HISTORIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons having facts or documents illustrating the history of any of the towns announced under this head are advised to send them to the person engaged in writing the history of that town.

Deerfield, Mass., by Hon. George Sheldon.—This work, announced in the REGISTER for October 1893, page 485, is now in press. It treats of the Times when and the People by whom the town was Settled, Unsettled, and Resettled, and a special Study of the Indian Wars in the Connecticut Valley; with Genealogies. It is more than a history of Deerfield. It embraces wider fields and throws strong light on New England life from its earliest days. The book is the result of twenty-five years of laborious and painstaking research. It covers a period of two hundred and fifty years (1636–1886) and is an authentic history of one of the most celebrated of colonial towns.

The work will make two octavo volumes. They will contain over one thousand pages. The price is $5 a volume in ornamental cloth. To those who subscribe before the work is issued, it will be $4.20 delivered. Subscriptions received by the author, George Sheldon, Deerfield, Mass., or the committee of publication, C. Alice Baker, Cambridge, Mass.; Francis M. Thomson, Greenfield, and John Sheldon, Greenfield, Mass.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Hubbard. By E. Warren Day.—This History of the Hubbard and Hobart Families of the United States is completed and in the hands of the printer, awaiting funds for its publication. Persons interested are recommended to send their subscriptions to the compiler, E. Warren Day, War Department, Washington, D. C. Price, $5.

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Oliver Cromwell. By GEORGE H. CLARK, D.D. With illustrations from old Paintings and Prints. Boston: D. Lothrop Company. 1893. 12mo. pp. 4+258.

Rarely has a work of this size contained so much food for thought and reflection. It should be carefully studied, not merely read, to obtain in full measure the rich fruits of Dr. Clark's thought and research. The author acknowledges indebtedness to Carlyle's labors and researches in regard to the life of Cromwell (as indeed have Taine, Froude and Green, and I suppose all of our own writers who have studied this period of English history) in the preparation of the work under consideration. And Carlyle never rendered a greater service to the cause of history than when he gathered and published all he could find of Cromwell's letters and let them tell the story in large measure, of the life of this noble man. Oliver Cromwell was born of good English stock in the town of Huntingdon, near Cambridge, on the 25th of April, 1599. His father and three of his uncles had sat in the Parliaments of Queen Elizabeth. He belonged to the class of English country gentlemen, a class that has for many generations been the backbone and sinew of the English nation. After receiving his education at Cambridge he returned to his native town, and there and at St. Ives and Ely he lived until about forty years of age: years of preparation for his great life-work which lay before him. It would be interesting to dwell upon the early scenes of his life (to which his thoughts so often recurred during the turmoil and strife of his after life); to dwell upon the story of his life in Parliament; to dwell upon the account of his organization of the Ironsides, the nucleus of that splendid army which won victory after victory over the royalist forces in England, Ireland and Scotland, an army the mere dread of which caused Cardinal Mazarin of France and the Duke of Savoy to stop the persecution of Protestants. While Cromwell was taking part in the battles of Edgehill, Marston Moor, Newbury, Naseby, Preston, Dunbar and Worcester, Blake, the great admiral, was winning naval victories at Malaga, in the Dutch war, and over the large Spanish fleet at Teneriffe. The period of history covered by the life of Cromwell is, to me at least, one of the most fascinating in the whole wide range of English history. Indeed

he was one of the most important actors in this the second and concluding act of the great drama of civil and religious liberty thought out and fought out on English soil. But Cromwell was a regicide. This was the one great fault of his life. It may be pleaded in extenuation that he was disposed to be friendly toward the King long after other Parliamentary leaders and prominent army officers, discouraged by his faithlessness, had refused to treat with him; in fact Cromwell came near losing his position in the army because of his efforts to save the King. The exigencies of the situation might have, probably did, require the imprisonment of the King; but nothing can adequately excuse the death sentence that was imposed upon him. And it seems to me that there was but one nobler scene in the life of this ill-fated man (I mean of course the courageous way in which he met his death) than when he refused to recognize the authority of the judges before whom he was brought. Had his life been marked by the wisdom and fair dealing of Cromwell's, the result might have been far different.

The secret of the success of the Puritan movement was the deep earnestness of the Puritan belief and character. Even the splendid enthusiasm of the cavalier was no match for this strong tenacity of purpose. It was a triumph of principles over long-existing conditions and surroundings. It was the clarion note of civil and religious liberty that swept over the land. Surely the Puritans could not have prevailed had they not been inwrought through and through with a firm conviction of the right. Milton called Cromwell "the father of his country." And the Protector's position was not unlike that of our own Washington in the darksome days that followed the Declaration of Independence. It was loyalty to principle, to truth and duty (ever inherent qualities of the English race), which upheld both heroes in their long and arduous struggle for liberty. Well has Taine (that great thinker and deep student of history, who has so singularly entered into the spirit of English institutions), called Cromwell "the greatest of the Puritans"; he also says, "he was English to the core; a great soul like one of Shakespeare's." He succeeded in making England the dominant power among the nations, although, as our author has well said: "It was not so much to make the nation great that he labored, but to make it safe and happy." To quote again from his words: "For two hundred years England was not so low down in the scale of nations as she fell during the reign of Charles II.; for six hundred and twenty years, from the time of William I. to the time of William III., there was no reign in which she ranked so high as during the Protectorate." Let us attempt, if we may, a short study of the personality of the man. We are here dealing with no surface character (although scarcely any life could be more open and simple than his). His was a deep life; a life of introspection, lived in the fear of God. In one of his letters he expressed the longing "to get a heart to love and serve his Heavenly Father better." He had pushed the bark of his soul out from the shallows of life where the wavelets idly ripple upon the sands, out into the wild waste of waters, wherever duty called, believing, knowing (however deeply conscious he was of his imperfections) that he was constantly under the protection of Divine Providence. Next to his religious faith (or indeed a part of it), I should say his strength lay in his sincerity—his absolute, unwavering sincerity. Dr. Clark has well placed this quotation from Carlyle on the title page of his book: "It is the property of the hero, in every time, in every place, in every situation, that he comes back to reality; that he stands upon things, and not shows of things."

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Cambridge, Mass.

On Some Social Distinctions at Harvard and Yale before the Revolution. By FRANKLIN BOWDITCH DEXTER. Worcester, Mass., U. S. A. Press of Charles Hamilton. 1894. 8vo. pp. 28.

The work before us is a paper read at a meeting of the American Antiquarian Society, October 21, 1893, and is reprinted from the printed proceedings of that Society.

"In the Catalogues of graduates of Harvard College," says Prof. Dexter, "down to 1772, and in those of Yale down to 1767, the names of the students of the successive classes are placed—not alphabetically, as now, and not as at Oxford and Cambridge in the order of application for admission, or according to scholastic merit, but—in an order supposed to indicate the rank of the respective fathers of families."

Prof. Dexter, in the pamphlet before us, has produced a mass of evidence bearing upon the placing of students, and arrives at the conclusion that the supposition he names—that the students were placed according to the rank of their fathers, is substantially correct. The investigation he has made in a very thorough manner, and much historical matter relative to early New-England college students and their life in college is preserved in these pages, which are worthy of a careful perusal. The author presents conclusive evidence that this plan was in vogue for a long period, but I am not quite sure that it was so from the founding of Harvard College. I doubted this in 1871, when I published my life of Rev. Michael Wigglesworth, and I doubt it still. The original placing of the students was probably according to the rank of their fathers, but I question whether they could not gain a higher place by their scholastic attainments. I still adhere to the opinion I expressed upwards of twenty years ago in relation to the Harvard class of 1651: "Among the classmates of young Wigglesworth," I said, "were some whose parents evidently held a higher position in society than his. Thomas Dudley was the son of Rev. Samuel Dudley, and the grandson of two governors of the colony; Seaborn Cotton was a son of Rev. John Cotton, teacher of the First Church of Boston; and Isaac and Ichabod Chauncey were sons of Rev. Charles Chauncey, afterwards president of the college. Here are four students whose parents held positions of honor among the colonists, and were descended from the gentry of England; and they are placed in the catalogue of the college below the son of one whose name in the New Haven Colonial Records, where it frequently occurs, is never found with the honorary prefix of 'Mr.' Is it likely that all these young men forfeited their rank by misconduct?" Still, I am open to conviction, and perhaps something may be discovered to explain the mystery."

1737-1747. Diary of Rev. Daniel Wadsworth, Seventh Pastor of the First Church of Christ in Hartford. With Notes by THE FOURTEENTH PASTOR. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 8vo. pp. 149.

We are told in a Prefatory Note to this volume, by the editor, the Rev. George Leon Walker, D.D., that "in the exhumation and re-arrangement of the possessions of the Connecticut Historical Society, incident to the enlargement of the Wadsworth Athenæum in 1892, was brought to notice a Diary kept by Rev. Daniel Wadsworth during the larger part of his ministry as seventh pastor of the First Church of Christ in Hartford. Mr. Wadsworth sustained this relationship from September 28, 1732, to his death on November 12, 1747. His Diary, however, was only begun on the 5th of May, 1737—nearly five years after his settlement—and it ends with his last feeble entry sometime in February, 1747, nine months before he died."

The ministers' diaries, which were so common at one time in New England, have preserved many facts relating to local history and biography, and others illustrating the manners and customs of the day. Often some important fact or date is settled by them. The diary of the Rev. Mr. Wadsworth is of more than usual value in this respect. The editor has added to its value by many illustrative notes, which must have cost him much patient labor. The "Prefatory Note" contains a sketch of the life of the reverend diarist. He was a man of influence, and had a good library. "He built a house," says the Rev. Dr. Walker, "on the site of the present Athenæum building founded by his grandson, the ground in the rear being his garden."

Proceedings of the First General Court of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at Boston, December 21, 1893. Including the Address of the Rev. George M. Bodge, on the Great Narraganset Fight of December 19, 1675. Publication No. I. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1894. 8vo. pp. 54.

In our July number we noticed the first "Annual Register" of the Society of Colonial Wars published by the General Society. We then gave some account of that society, and of the several state branches. The first state society was organized Aug. 18, 1892, and the General Society May 10, 1893.

This is the first publication of the Massachusetts Society. It gives the proceedings on Forefathers' Day, 1893, including the speeches of Samuel S. Green, the lieutenant-governor, Capt. Nathan Appleton, HON. Henry O. Houghton, the deputy-governor, and Capt Albert A. Folsom.

The principal address of the evening was by the Rev. George Madison Bodge,

the chaplain, on the "Great Narraganset Fight," Dec. 19, 1675. It gives a graphic description of this desperate engagement, which was, to use Mr. Bodge's language, "one of the most important battles in our country's history, about which, however, hitherto very little reliable information has been brought together in recorded form, or in reliable history, and the later revival of historical interest finds many records lost beyond recovery." Mr. Bodge was well qualified to speak on this subject, as his "Soldiers of King Philip's War," originally contributed in chapters to the REGISTER, show.

The pamphlet also contains a list of officers, an Historical Sketch of the Massachusetts Society by James Atkins Noyes, the historian, and the By-Laws of the Society. It is handsomely printed on clear white paper, and in every way does credit to the Rockwell & Churchill press from which it issues.

Historical Manuscripts and Reprints, No. 3, July, 1894. Fac-simile of the First Draft of the Freeman's Oath, in the handwriting of Gov. John Winthrop, and of the Servant's Oath, together with a Modification of the Freeman's Oath, both in the handwriting of Gov. Thomas Dudley, with a Note by the Hon. Mellen Chamberlain, LL.D. Royal, 8vo. pp. 6.

The Freeman's Oath; the First Issue of the New-England Press. By JOHN WARD DEAN. 8vo. pp. 4.

The last issue of "Historical Manuscripts and Reprints," by the Boston Public Library, gives a fac-simile of valuable documents which have recently come into the possession of that Library. These documents are a first draft of the Freeman's Oath, in the handwriting of Gov. Winthrop, and a draft of an oath for a servant, and a modification of the Freeman's oath, both in Gov. Dudley's handwriting, specimens of which are rarely met with. Besides fac-similes of these documents, careful transcripts are printed. Two experts in deciphering the chirography of that day—Messrs. William P. Upham and Abner C. Goodell—made independent transcripts for the Trustees of the Public Library which were found to be almost identical. Judge Chamberlain, at the request of the Trustees, prefixed a learned note on the history of the Oath, in which he shows the importance of these documents.

Previous to the discovery of these documents there were three forms of the Massachusetts Freeman's Oath accessible to historical students; one preserved among the Miscellaneous Records of the Colony (vol. i., p. 353 of the printed records), another in its regular records (vol. i., p. 117), under May 14, 1634, when the former Freeman's Oath was revoked; and the other as printed by order of the Colony, which, though no copy of the original is known to be in existence, is reprinted in Child's "New-England's Jonas." The last two vary principally in spelling.

In the REGISTER for October, 1891, p. 305, the writer of this notice printed some remarks upon the Freeman's Oath and other early issues of the New England press. A small edition was reprinted with the title found at the head of this article.

Ephraim and Pamela (Converse) Morris: Their Ancestors and Descendants. By TYLER SEYMOUR MORRIS. Chicago, 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. 207.

The Descendants of Richard Kimber: a Genealogical History of the Descendants of Richard Kimber, of Grove, near Wantage, Berkshire, England. Compiled by SIDNEY A. KIMBER. Published by Sidney A. Kimber, Boston, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 76+6.

Genealogy of the Chessman Family in the United States, from 1713 to 1893. With Appendix and Reminiscence of his Father's Family. Collected by SAMUEL CHESSMAN. 1893. Royal 8vo. Address of the Compiler, Salem, Ohio.

Genealogy of Elisha Piper of Parsonfield, Maine, and his Descendants: including portions of other Related Families. By HORACE PIPER, A.M. Washington, D. C. 1889. 12mo. pp. 121.

A Genealogical Record of the Start Family in America. By WILLIAM A. START, A.M. Wallace Spooner, Printer, Boston, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 30.

Collections relating to the Family of Clutterbuck. By ROBERT H. CLUTTERBUCK, F.S.A., Rector of Penton Mewsey. Printed for Private Circulation by John White, Stroud, Worcestershire [England], 1894. 8vo. pp. 48.

Barnabas Metcalf of Franklin, Mass., and his Descendants. By FRANK JOHNSON METCALF. Dedham, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 16.

The Bent Family. Four Generations in America. By ALLEN H. BENT, of Roxbury, Mass. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 10.

Wills of the English Pynchons, 1528 to 1654, and of William Pynchon, 1662, Founder of Springfield, Massachusetts. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 23.

We continue in this number our notices of books and pamphlets relating to genealogy.

The first book on our list is the Morris Genealogy, giving the descendants of Edward Morris, who came from Nazeing, in the County of Essex, England, or its vicinity, and settled at Roxbury, Mass., and afterwards removed to Woodstock, Ct., where he died Sept. 14, 1689. An account of him, filling six pages, is given. There is also a view of his gravestone. A full record of his descendants, many of whom held important stations in life, is found in this book, which shows great research, and is carefully compiled. It is well printed, and illustrated with numerous portraits and other engravings. Mr. Morris has done a good service in preserving these memorials of his ancestors and kindred.

The book on the Kimber Family is designed to embrace "the families in the United States from the settlements in Pennsylvania and New York, the families in England and the descendants in Australia." It is the result of seven or eight years research, and is printed by the author with a hope that an interest in their history will be awakened among the Kimber family, which will enable him to issue a more comprehensive work. The book is well compiled, handsomely printed, well indexed, and illustrated with portraits.

The book on the Chessman Family is an "Illustrated Family Record." The author is Mr. Samuel Chessman of Salem, Ohio, who has been engaged in collecting his material for about twenty years. The author has gathered much material about the family, which he presents to the public in the volume before us. It is well printed and profusely illustrated by portraits of a large number of descendants of the Chessman family.

The Piper Family gives the descendants of Elisha Piper of Parsonsfield, Me., born at Stratham, N. H. in 1746, and died in Parsonsfield in 1798. He was a great-grandson of Nathaniel Piper, the emigrant ancestor, who settled in Ipswich, Mass. as early as 1665. An Appendix gives genealogies of Asa Piper of Wakefield, N. H.; Solomon Piper of Boston, Mass., and Stephen Piper of Newfield, Me., and their ancestors and immediate descendants. The book is well compiled and has an index.

The Start Family is descended from William Start, who settled at Ipswich, Mass. in the latter part of the seventeenth century or the early part of the eighteenth. The author acknowledges assistance in his work from the Rev. Anson Titus and the late William M. Sargent, both experienced antiquaries and genealogists. The book is well compiled and well indexed.

The Clutterbuck Family is by the Rev. Mr. Clutterbuck, rector of Penton-Mewsey in Hampshire. "The family of Clutterbuck," he says, "has for centuries occupied a prominent position in Gloucestershire, where the name is still of frequent occurrence." Much interesting matter relating to this ancient English family, some of the branches of which are found in America, is here found. The record is brought down to the present time.

Barnabas Metcalf, to whose descendants the next work is devoted, was a great-great-grandson of Michael Metcalf, a genealogical account of whom and his descendants was published in the REGISTER for April, 1852—forty-two years ago. The pamphlet was originally printed in the Dedham Historical Register for October, 1893. It is well compiled with full and precise records.

The next two works, The Bent Family and Pynchons Wills, are reprints from the REGISTER. We need not inform our readers of their merits.

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A Brief Sketch of the Life of Prof. George Cheyne Shattuck. By Caleb Davis Bradlee, D.D. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 6.

Congregational Year Book, 1894. Compiled by Rev. Henry A. Hazen, D.D. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 438.

II. *Other Publications.*

Transactions of the Oneida Historical Society at Utica, 1892–1894. No. 6. Utica. 1894. 8vo. pp. 207.

Historical Essay—Colonel Joseph Whipple. By Hon. Chester B. Jordan. Concord, N. H. 1894. 8vo. pp. 34.

Officers and By-Laws of the Groton Historical Society. Ayer. 1894. 16mo. pp. 8.

History of Reynoldsville and Vicinity. W. C. Elliott. Reynoldsville. 1894. 8 vo. pp. 58.

Obituary Records of Yale University—Year ending June, 1894. No. 53.

Records of the Paterson Fire Association, 1821–1854. By William Nelson. Paterson, N. J. 1894. 8vo. pp. 263.

War of the Rebellion Official Records. Vol. XLV. Part. II. Washington. 1894. 8vo. pp. 903.

The Account Book of Sir John Foulis of Ravelston, 1671–1707. By Rev. A. W. Cornelius Hallen. Edinburgh. 1894. 8vo. pp. lxxvi+500.

Obituary Records of the Graduates of Dartmouth College. By John M. Comstock. Hanover, N. H. 1894. 8vo. pp. 20.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Campbells of Craignish in Scotland.—A prospectus of a limited work of 100 copies on this family with their alliances and cadets has already appeared. It will be edited by Andrew Ross, Esq., Marchmont Herald of the Lyon office, Edinburgh.

In point of antiquity the house of Craignish ranks next to the Ducal family of Argyll in the annals of the clan Campbell. The history of the family dates from about 1130, and from the period of the Ragman Roll to the present time there is documentary evidence to prove that the line of male descent has been continued unbroken.

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Boston, Mass.

Vincent's London.—Dr. Marshall writes that Vincent's London, which he quotes in the Register, Vol. 48, page 405, is a manuscript in the Heralds' College in the collection of Heralds' Visitations, &c., formerly belonging to and compiled by Augustine Vincent, Windsor Herald, which collection was given to that College by Ralph Sheldon. "It is," he writes, "one of our most important series of manuscripts, and one we take as evidence." An account of Vincent, who died Jan. 11, 1625-6, will be found in Noble's History of the College of Arms, page 240, and Allibone's Dictionary of Authors, vol. 3, page 2525.

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The Grasshopper in Lombard Street. By JOHN BIDDULPH MARTIN. London: The Leadenhall Press, Ltd.: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., Ltd. New York: Scribner & Welford. 1892. Crown 4to.

This is a book of history, not of entomology. It deals with the grasshopper as an emblem, or, more precisely, as a golden image and business sign. As a history it sets forth the experiences during three hundred and fifty years or more of one of the principal banking houses in London, known to fame, and for a long period to sight, by its projecting sign on Lombard street, the figure of a grasshopper. Other banking houses in the neighborhood were in like manner made manifest by signs, as the "Plough," the "Unicorn," the "Three Squirrels," the "Marigold," etc. The sign of the "Grasshopper" disappeared during a reconstruction of the bank building in 1794; though the indication of the cut on page 230 of the book is that a copy of it yet exists within the building, martially arrayed upon a metallic framework with six guns and eight pistols of the time of the Georges. These weapons are supposed to have been procured to put the bank in a state of defence against a city riot or like peril. The author does not fix the date when the "Grasshopper" as an institution had its beginning, but it may be referred to the year 1537, when Sir Richard Gresham was knighted by Henry VIII. and was granted a coat of arms, the crest of which is a grasshopper in gold. Gresham was one of the Company of Mercers and seems to have ranked as a goldsmith, in the financial meaning of that word. At any rate, he is recorded in the king's cash book as having been paid £100 for "a cheyne of fyne golde," a purchase incident to the fourth wedding of Henry VIII. That he was what would now be called a financier there is no doubt. He was an accredited agent of the English government in the Low Countries, and was frequently employed there in its money transactions. In that experience he saw the advantage of a bourse or money exchange, and projected such an institution for London. It was not established, however, in that reign. That Sir Richard had an office in Lombard street may be regarded certain, for that was the street where the goldsmiths congregated; and as that was not an age

of lettered signs, and as the title or style of the bank, the "Sign of the Grasshopper," is of immemorial date, its beginning must be held to be coeval with the famous Henry. That Sir Richard was a resident in London subsequently to his stay in Flanders is shown by the fact that he was Lord Mayor in 1537, which was two years before the sale of the chain of fine gold.

It was, however, during the lifetime of his son, Sir Thomas Gresham, that the grasshopper as an emblem or image rose to fame above all contemporary images of like quality. The bank premises have always been the spot now numbered 68 of Lombard street, and it is of record that Sir Thomas had his shop or office there in a building which was also his residence until his accumulated wealth enabled him to erect a dwelling house on Bishopsgate street, spacious enough and grand enough for the entertainment of royalty itself.

The great fire of 1666 destroyed so many records public and private, including those of the Grasshopper, that its fortunes cannot be distinctly traced during a period of nearly one hundred years after the decease of Sir Thomas Gresham. But our author has, with indefatigable zeal, gathered information from remote sources, largely family histories, by which the succession of partnerships, or at least prominent members thereof, is traced. As to these persons and their transactions he makes up a curious and entertaining narrative, with abundant allusion to current events of their lifetimes. Throughout the author has touched here and there upon collateral themes, giving evidence, both in this and in his immediate task, of painstaking in his search and of fidelity to the facts. Within its field, which is given a proper amplitude, the book thus becomes a valuable one for reference, being furnished with a good index. To this end it may well be kept in mind by any engaged in studying phases of London life from the period indicated down to comparatively recent times. It is handsomely bound and printed and contains thirty-seven illustrations, comprising portraits, views, etc., pertinent to the subject. There are also plans of the Lombard street vicinity, showing among other things that the Grasshopper site is two hundred and forty-three feet distant from the entrance to the Royal Exchange on Corn hill. As an appendix is reproduced in antique type, with title page in fac-simile, a rare pamphlet of the year 1676, entitled "The Mystery of the New-fashioned Goldsmiths or Bankers," etc., which might have had given it an alternative title, "A Counterblast against usury, coin-clipping and all sorts of nigging in money transactions."

In the multiplicity of his allusions the author does not omit to inform London readers, for whom the book was especially written, of our grasshopper. He says: "Visitors to Boston (U.S.A.), may notice a grasshopper, serving as a vane, on the summit of Faneuil Hall, the cradle of liberty venerated by all Americans, and one of the oldest buildings in that city"; and he names our Sexton of the Old School as his authority in saying that the Boston grasshopper is an imitation, "a plagiarism," of that of the London Exchange. This reference has seemed to make opportune for this number of the REGISTER some remarks upon the Boston grasshopper, which appear on an earlier page.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

British Family Names: Their Origin and Meaning, with Lists of Scandinavian, Frisian, Anglo-Saxon and Norman Names. By HENRY BARBER, M.D., Author of "Furness and Cartmel Notes," "The Cistercian Abbey of Maulbronn," "Some Queer Names," "The Shrine of St. Boniface at Fulda," "Popular Amusements in Germany," etc. London: Elliot Stock, 62 Paternoster Row, E. C. 1894. 1 Vol. 8vo. pp. 235.

This interesting and valuable volume will be found to contain much useful information for those curious in the origin of family names, difficult of easy attainment elsewhere. The introductory essays to each list of British, Old Norse Personal, Frisian, Family and Personal, names are uncommonly learned and intelligent. Beside these are lists of the names from the Domesday Book of Edward the Confessor, including landholders, tenants in chief and undertenants, and the Roll of Battell Abbey. These occupy a third of the well printed volume, and deserve the unqualified approbation of the scholar in nomenclature. The remainder of the volume is devoted to an alphabetical list of British surnames, of which more than eight thousand are cited, a remarkable monument of industry and careful investigation. The identity of names with geographical

location is full and comprehensive; but we do not find the sources of origin or meaning of surnames equally satisfactory. To be sure a conception of such, to be adequate, would require its author to be familiar with the usages, customs, habits and thoughts, as well as all the dialects, from the Euskarian to the Norman, appropriate to the various tribes and peoples that have left their impress on the names that have come down to the present. We do not understand Dr. Barber to profess any such encyclopædic knowledge. The reader must not, therefore, be surprised to find a general lack of occupative derivations, and of names individualized from some personal peculiarity, disposition, manners or appearance. Our author seems satisfied with an apparent locative derivation, when it is notorious that the reverse may be true, the location receiving its proprietor's name or title. So of the Scandinavian mythology, a prolific source of Danish and Norse names. Many of the cited surnames are of Keltic or Cymric derivation, rather than of locality. Agglutination, transposition, and other phonetic mutations have obscured the history of a vast number of names; and, in this respect, the British, probably from the great variety of races entering into their national composition, have been conspicuous. The honorable, resounding, proud names of one century have been clipped and degraded in descent, till the arch-angel becomes Muggins; and the Taillefer, derived from the prowess and strength of arm, which could drive the battle ax through a bar of iron, becomes that of a dozen negroes, pressing tobacco in a Virginia factory. The influence of custom or fashion has shown itself more in the baptismal than in the surname. The latter often survives, while the other perishes. Arthur, Owen, Alan, survive from the Cymric; Edward, Edwin, Alfred, from the Saxon; Harry and Ralph from the Scandinavian; but they are almost the sole representatives of the Æthelreds and Ælfwards, the Olafs and Erics, the Merlins and Offas of the times before the conquest. As foreigners have been absorbed into the English race, their names have served to swell the vocabulary. In America, we have added a few from the Indian and the negro races, and may, hereafter, from the Asiatics of late immigration.

By Geo. A. Gordon, Esq., of Somerville, Mass.

Proceedings at the Public Opening, September 28, 1893, of the New Haven Colony Historical Society Building, erected by Henry F. English as a Memorial of James E. and Caroline F. English. Published by the Society. Press of Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor. New Haven, Conn. 8vo. pp. 91.

This book contains the addresses delivered upon this occasion by Mr. Simeon E. Baldwin, the President of the Society; by Mr. Horace Day, the first Secretary of the Society; and by Mr. Thomas R. Trowbridge, Secretary of the Society. All of these addresses are marked by careful thought and research, and contain many important facts in regard to the history of this early settled section of New England, from the time (1643) when the articles of confederation were entered into by which the Colony of New Haven joined on equal terms with the colonies of Massachusetts Bay, Plymouth, and Connecticut, in constituting the first American Union (the "United Colonies of New England"), down to the present. But the history of the New Haven Colony goes even farther back than the year 1643. Mr. Horace Day stated in his address that "for nearly a quarter of a century prior to its union with Connecticut, New Haven had an independent civil and political organization (although without a charter) and was the solitary instance of an absolutely independent state on the American continent." Mr. Simeon E. Baldwin, in his address, rightly lays much stress upon the great importance of the work our various historical societies are doing. I believe it is hardly possible to over-estimate the far-reaching effect of the thorough work that has been done and is being done by them; in gathering and preserving a wealth of material for the historians of our own times and of the future; and in implanting and stimulating in the minds of its members (and through them of the great multitude of our reading, thinking people) interest in and love for American and English history. And surely it will be admitted by all thoughtful people that historical studies have a very important place in the mental development of man.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Woodsville, N. H.

History of Bath and Environs, Sagadahock County, Maine, 1607–1894. With *Illustrations.* By PARKER MCCOBB REED. Portland, Me.: Lakeside Press, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 526. Price $5. Sold by the author, Bath, Me.

The reader will derive from these pages much interesting information about a locality of peculiar historic interest. The early voyagers who visited these shores are noticed, and a good account of the settlement of Bath and its vicinity is given. The book is particularly full in biography, and portraits of many representative men of the place illustrate the work. Other engravings give views of buildings, ancient and modern. Shipbuilding is the principal industry of the place at the present time, and due attention is paid to it here.

The Making of the Ohio Valley States. By SAMUEL ADAMS DRAKE. With many Illustrations and Maps. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. 1894. 1 vol. 16 mo.; pp. 269. Price, $1.50.

The story of the white man's occupancy beyond the Alleghanies is told by Mr. Drake in three epochs, viz.: the conquest, the advance, the progress. Each epoch is subdivided into interesting descriptions of the natural features of the country, thrilling relations of the deeds of the pioneers, the permanent grasp of the armies, the resistance of the Indians, the struggle between the rivals; all tending to the rise and growth of the Great West. It is the white man's story. The red man is seen, precisely as the natural features of the land are seen; and serve to add variety to the illustration. The cuts of scenery, portraits, buildings, curiosities and the maps are excellent. We know of no work which so happily tells this history within moderate compass as this modest volume. Authorities are quoted and references given for those who desire to extend reading or study.

By George A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Diary of Anna Green Winslow, a Boston School Girl of 1771. By ALICE MORSE EARLE. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin & Co. 12mo. pp. 121. Price $1.25.

Mrs. Earle of Brooklyn, N. Y., the editor of this work, is the author of "The Sabbath in Puritan New England," and "Customs and Fashions in Old New England," noticed in previous volumes of the REGISTER. The "Boston schoolgirl" who kept this diary was a daughter of Joshua Winslow of Marshfield and his wife Anna, daughter of Joseph Green of Boston. Her father was a descendant of John Winslow of the Mayflower, and her mother traced her ancestry to Percival Green, concerning whom and his descendants the Hon. Samuel A. Green, M.D., contributed an article to the REGISTER for April, 1861, which was reprinted with additions. The diary extends from Nov. 1771, to May, 1772. It gives us glimpses of life in Boston just previous to the opening of the Revolutionary war. The editor has done her work thoroughly. In her "Forewords" she has given much matter relating to the diarist and her relatives. Her "Notes" at the end of the volume are filled with interesting facts concerning people mentioned in the diary. The engravings which embellish the volume truly illustrate it. They are a portrait of Miss Winslow from a miniature now owned by Miss Elizabeth C. Treat of Niagara Falls; a fac-simile of a portion of the original diary, with her signature; a Wedding Party in Boston in 1756 from tapestry now owned by the American Antiquarian Society; and portraits of General Joshua Winslow, Ebenezer Storer and Hannah Green Storer, the first from a miniature, and the others from portraits painted by Copley. There is also an engraving of a cut-paper picture executed by Mrs. Sarah Winslow Deming, aunt of the diarist.

The book is a valuable contribution to the personal and public history of provincial Massachusetts.

The History of Holden, Massachusetts, 1684–1894. By DAVID FOSTER ESTES. Published by the Town. Worcester, Mass.: Press of C. F. Lawrence & Co. 1894. 8vo. pp. x.+447. Price $3.50.

On the 30th of November, 1840, the town of Holden celebrated its One Hundredth Anniversary. Samuel C. Damon, a native of the town and a member of Andover Theological Seminary, afterwards the Rev. Samuel C. Damon, D.D.,

of Honolulu (see REGISTER, vol. 39, pp. 398), was invited to deliver an historical address, which he did. The address was embodied in a History of Holden by him, published in 1841 in a volume of 154 pages. Dr. Damon's history has been incorporated in this volume.

The present book does credit to the author, Mr. Estes, and to the town of Holden, at whose charge it has been published. The history of the town for over two hundred years is here narrated in an interesting manner. The volume is embellished with forty-two portraits and eight views, and contains also a plan of the town. It is well indexed.

No town can spend money to better advantage than in preserving its annals in print.

Record of my Ancestors. Bailey's Photo-Ancestral Record (with Supplement). Designed and Published by the Rev. FREDERICK W. BAILEY, B.D. New Haven. Conn., and Worcester, Mass. Second Edition. Enlarged and Improved. 4to. (10 in. by 12½ in.).

In our number for July last we noticed two recently published books for recording the ancestors of an individual. We then referred to other books for this purpose, and among them named the first edition of the book before us. Rev. Mr. Bailey has made some improvements on his book which will render it more useful. Besides the blanks for recording one's ancestors, provision is made for preserving photographs and for miscellaneous notes.

Biographical Review. This volume contains Biographical Sketches of Leading Citizens of Columbia County, New York. Boston: Biographical Review Company. 1894. Quarto, pp. 608. Turkey morocco, gilt edges. Price $15.

Biographical Review. This volume contains Biographical Sketches of Leading Citizens of Broome County, New York. Boston: Biographical Review Company. 1894. Quarto, pp. 837. Turkey morocco, gilt edges. Price $15.

This series of volumes, of which the titles of two volumes are given above, is preserving much biography of the State of New York. The volumes are handsomely printed on fine white paper, and are illustrated with portraits engraved in a high style of the art. The biographies are carefully written, and the details are fully given. The following extract from the preface to the first volume will apply to both: "The subjects of these brief biographies have been selected from the world's busy workers—tillers of the soil, merchants, manufacturers, tradesmen, journalists, members of the learned professions, civil engineers, and so forth, representative men and women of the country, useful and honored in their day and generation." We trust that the enterprise will be liberally patronized.

Watertown Records, comprising the First and Second Books of Town Proceedings, with the Lands, Grants and Possessions; also the Proprietors' Book, and the First Book and Supplement of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Prepared for Publication by THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Watertown, Mass.: Press of Fred G. Barker. 1894. 8vo. pp. vi.+161+199+81.

The Early Records of Dedham, Massachusetts, 1659–1673, being Vol. IV. of the Printed Records of the Town. Edited by the Town Clerk, DON GLEASON HILL. Dedham, Mass.: Printed at the office of the Dedham Transcript. 1894. 8vo. pp. x.+304.

We are glad to see the Early Records of the Ancient Town of Watertown in print in the volume before us. They have been printed at the expense of the town, and under the direction of a committee of the Watertown Historical Society. The committee in an Introduction give a history of the publication and the services rendered by those who have aided in the work; and a description of the written records now preserved by the town.

The volume before us contains: 1, Record of Town Proceedings; 2, Lands, Grants and Possessions, including the Proprietors' Book; 3, Records of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Each of these parts is separately paged with separate indexes. Fac-similes of some of the entries are given. Maps of portions of the town have been added from the Massachusetts Archives. The committee state that it has been their aim to "procure a copy *verbatim et literatim* of the original records. Nothing has been taken for granted. All doubtful passages

have been placed in brackets, and editorial comments or additions have been enclosed in parentheses, with reference to authorities where necessary." Much pains has evidently been taken to reproduce the original record faithfully. The committee deserve credit for this. We hope editors of records of other towns will follow their example.

The fourth volume of the Dedham Records is also before us. The previous volumes have all been noticed by us. The same care has been bestowed by Mr. Hill on this volume as he bestowed on them.

Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society. New Series. Vol. II. No. 3. October, 1894. Providence, R. I.: Published quarterly by the Society. Price $1 a year. Single copies 50 cents.

With this number, the secretary of the Rhode Island Historical Society, Amos Perry, LL.D., takes the editorship of this serial. He shows that he has admirable qualifications for the position. We have in this number some valuable Rhode Island manuscripts from the National Archives. They are literal copies of the originals preserved at Washington. Then follow communications from William D. Ely, on "Roger Williams's Key, Beanes vs. Barnes"; from Virginia Baker, "Glimpses of Ancient Sowams"; from Henry F. Richards, "The Great Gale of Sept. 23, 1815," by Mr. Lardner; and from John O. Austin's "Genealogical Notes" on several families. The number concludes with Genealogical Notes and Cullings.

The matter here printed is of especial interest to Rhode Island people, and the citizens of that State and natives of it residing in other parts of the Union should see that the periodical is liberally supported.

Lincoln County Probate Records. Compiled by WILLIAM D. PATTERSON. Portland: Maine Historical Society. 8vo. Published in monthly parts of 16 pages each, on the 15th of every month, commencing Nov. 15, 1893. Price 25cts. a part. Twenty parts will make a volume, and a title, preface and index will be furnished.

Eight numbers of this serial were noticed by us in July, 1894. Thirteen numbers have now been issued, and are before us. They form a valuable addition to the local and family history of Maine. Mr. Patterson of Wiscasset, the editor of this work, made a statement a year or two ago to the Maine Genealogical Society, relative to the probate records of Lincoln County. There are about 150 wills on the records of the county before the division. The records up to the incorporation of Kennebec County in 1799, are in eight volumes. There are many records of intestates, and some records of partitions of real estate. There are some wills that were not recorded as they were not allowed. There are some papers of the records missing, as it is probable that in early times the registers of probate kept their records in their own houses. Mr. Patterson is doing a good service in preserving in print the records now in the Lincoln County office, and we hope the missing records may be recovered and placed in their rightful depository.

The publication is deserving of a liberal patronage. It contains matter of interest to others besides the citizens of Maine.

The American Historical Register; a Monthly Gazette of the Patriotic Hereditary Societies of the United States of America. Philadelphia: The Historical Publishing Company, 120 South 6th St. 8vo. Price $3 a year.

This magazine was commenced in September last, and the fourth or December number has reached us. The editor-in-chief is Charles H. Browning, the author of "Americans of Royal Descent." There are a number of associate editors in different parts of the country. Much interesting matter is contained in these monthly issues. They are illustrated with many fine engravings, some of which are in colors.

Magazine of the Daughters of the Revolution. New York City: Published quarterly at 64 Madison Avenue. 8vo., price $1 a year, single copies 30 cts. Vol. II. January to October, 1894.

The first volume of this magazine was noticed by us in July last. The second is now completed. It contains a similar variety of matter relating to the order and interesting to its members. It is well printed, and illustrated by engravings.

The Maine Historical Magazine. Edited by JOSEPH W. PORTER. Bangor, Me.: C. H. Glass & Co., Printers. Vol. IX., Nos. 7, 8 and 9, July, August and September, 1894. Price $2 a year.

Hon. Mr. Porter's Historical Magazine has been noticed before by us, and our readers know that it is filled with valuable historical matter relative to Maine. We notice the announcement in this number, that though the work has been published at a loss, if "its friends will kindly interest themselves by procuring new subscribers it will be continued," otherwise it will not be published after the end of 1894. We trust that those who appreciate the work will exert themselves in its behalf, so that so useful a work may be continued.

Rose Neighborhood Sketches, Wayne County, New York, with Glimpses of the Adjacent Towns, Butler, Wolcott, Huron, Sodus, Lyons and Savannah. By ALFRED S. ROE. Published by the Author, Worcester, Mass. Royal 8vo. pp. xvi. + 441. Price $3.

Mr. Roe, the author of this work, a native of Rose, says in his Preface, "This volume represents summer vacation work for eight years. Born of ancestors who were among the very first to redeem Rose soil from the wilderness, I cannot remember the time when the story of early adventure and hardship was not heard. Grandparents and great-grandparents filled my childish ears with anecdote and incident, so that when they had passed on it seemed fitting to give the narrative more permanent form than that of mere legend and tradition. This was the prompting to write for the *Clyde Times* in 1886, the first of the series, taking my native district No. 7. When that was ended, friends and relatives in the adjoining districts said, 'You must tell the story of Nos. 5 and 6.' Accordingly they followed in successive issues of the *Times.*"

From these extracts and the title page, the reader will have a good idea of the contents of the book. The author has made a valuable and readable volume. It is well printed, illustrated by engravings, and is well indexed.

The Crafts Family. A Genealogical and Biographical History of the Descendants of Griffin and Alice Crafts of Roxbury, Mass., 1630–1890. Compiled by JAMES M. CRAFTS and WILLIAM F. CRAFTS. Northampton, Mass.: Gazette Printing Company, 1893. 8vo. pp. 803. To be had of William F. Crafts, 1679 Tremont St., Boston. Price $7.50.

Early Days in New England. Life and Times of Henry Burt of Springfield and Some of his Descendants, Genealogical and Biographical Mention of James and Richard Burt of Taunton and Thomas Burt, M.P., of England. By HENRY M. BURT and SILAS W. BURT. Springfield, Mass.: Clark W. Bryan Co., Printers. Price $3.50. To be had of Henry M. Burt, Springfield, Mass.

The Genealogy of the Hitchcock Family who were descended from Matthias Hitchcock of New Haven, Conn., and Luke Hitchcock of Wethersfield, Conn. Compiled and published by Mrs. EDWARD HITCHCOCK, Sr. Arranged for the Press by Rev. DWIGHT W. MARSH, D.D., Amherst, Mass.: Press of Carpenter & Morehouse. 1894. 8vo. pp. vii+555. Price $5.

A Genealogical Account of the Descendants of James Young, Merchant Burgess of Aberdeen, and Rachel Cruickshank his Wife, 1697–1893. With Notes as to Many of the Families with which they are connected. Aberdeen: Printed at the University Press. 1894. Royal 8vo. gilt top, pp. 264. 125 copies, privately printed.

1275–1894. History of the Trubee Family. By HARRIET TRUBEE GARLICK. Bridgeport, Conn.: Printed by Marigold Printing Company. 1894. Limited Edition. Price, $5. To be obtained of S. M. Garlick, M.D., 316 State St., Bridgeport, Conn.

Ralph Shepard, Puritan. By RALPH HAMILTON SHEPARD. Printed for Private Circulation. Dedham, Mass.: 1893. Royal 8vo. pp. 50.

Gleanings from Parker Records, A.D. 1271–1893. By WILLIAM THORNTON PARKER, M.D., Groveland, Mass. Haverhill, Mass.: Press of Chase Brothers. 1894. Wide 8vo. pp. 51.

Family Notes respecting the Bradley Family of Fairfield and our Descent therefrom; with Notes of Collateral Ancestors on the Female Side. For the use of my Children. Written in August, 1883. By JOSEPH P. BRADLEY. Edited

and published by his son, CHARLES BRADLEY. Newark, N. J.: Amzi Pearson & Co., Printers. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. 69.

The Peirce Family Record. 1687–1893. A New Edition. With Appendix. By E. W. WEST. New York: Bradstreet Press. 1894. Sm. 8vo. pp. 97.

Genealogy of Bedford Old Families, with Biographical Notes. By ABRAM ENGLISH BROWN. Bedford: Published by the Author. 1892. Royal 8vo. pp. 52.

Family Record of James and Sarah Gibbs of Bristol, Mass.

Pedigree of Odel. United States and Canada. 1639-1894. Six Lines of Descent. Traced by RUFUS KING, Esq., of Yonkers, N. Y. 1894. Tabular Pedigree, 25 inches by 36 in.

Hooe-Barnes of Virginia and Maryland. (From "Virginia Genealogies"). By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A. Wilkes-Barré. 8vo. pp. 4.

Dade of Virginia. (From "Virginia Genealogies.") By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A. Wilkes-Barré. 8vo. pp. 3.

Fowke. (From "Virginia Genealogies.") By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A. Wilkes-Barré. 8vo. pp. 4.

Some Account of the Temple Family. By TEMPLE PRIME, Huntington, N. Y. Second Edition. New York. 1894. 8vo. pp. 111.

Some Account of the Bowdoin Family. With Notices of Portage, Lynde, Newgate, Erving. By TEMPLE PRIME. Second Edition. New York. 1894. 8vo. pp. 32.

Descent of John Nelson and of his Children, with Notes on the Families of Tailer and Stoughton. By TEMPLE PRIME. Second Edition. New York. 1894. 8vo. pp. 61.

Family of John Savage of Middletown, Conn., 1652. By JAMES FRANCIS SAVAGE. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 26.

The Needham Branch of the Tolman Family. By ANNA MARIA (TOLMAN) PICKFORD. Dedham, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 29.

History of the Shepard Family. By CHESTER BROWN. Montpelier: Printed by the Argus and Patriot Co. 1894. 8vo. pp. 16. Published by the Author, East Hardwick, Vt. Price 15cts.

Genealogy of Lewis B. Parsons. Oblong 8vo. 8 leaves.

Sprague Family Items. By DWIGHT H. KELTON, LL.D., of Montpelier, Vt. Oct. 20, 1894. 8vo. pp. 6. 100 copies printed.

Historic Records of an Old Family. 1890.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works relating to genealogy recently received.

The Crafts Family, the first on our list, is an excellent specimen of books of this kind. It is carefully compiled, well arranged, handsomely printed on fine paper, well indexed, and well bound. "It has forty-one full page illustrations. It contains the family records of over eleven hundred families of the name of Crafts, and of probably as many more bearing other names." Particular attention seems to have been paid to biography, the details of which are very full. The book contains a Journal of the Siege of Louisburg from April 24th to Sept. 5th, 1745, by Benjamin Craft; A Journal of the Siege of Boston, from June 15th to Nov. 16th, 1775, by Lieut. Benjamin Crafts; and a Journal of Burgoyne's Surrender, kept from Sept. 9th to December 2d, 1777, by Major Eleazer Craft. Much other matter of historic interest appears in this book, making it of value to others besides those of the name.

The next volume, on the Life and Times of Henry Burt of Springfield, and some of his Descendants, is an ably compiled work, and contains much matter that will interest all New Englanders. To those of the name or blood it is invaluable. The book is illustrated with portraits, maps and autographs. It is well indexed. Much labor has evidently been spent in compiling the book, which makes over six hundred pages. It is well printed and bound.

The Hitchcock Family, by Mrs. Hitchcock, is another work of a high order of excellence. Matthias Hitchcock, the emigrant ancestor, came from England at the age of twenty-five, in the spring of 1635, in the *Susan and Ellen* (REGISTER, xiv., 309), and settled in Watertown, Mass. A few years later he removed to

New Haven Colony, where he died Nov. 16, 1669. Mrs. Hitchcock has succeeded in gathering a very satisfactory record of his descendants, and those of Luke Hitchcock of Wethersfield, Ct. "The aim of this book" she says in the Introduction, "has been to preserve the records of a portion of the Hitchcock family, as far as they could be secured from town and church records, records of Probate Courts and Registries of Deeds, and from family records," a large number of which have been personally examined. In arranging the work she has been aided by Rev. Dr. Marsh of Amherst. The book is well printed, and has a very full index. It is handsomely bound, and illustrated by many fine portraits.

The next book, the Descendants of James Young of Aberdeen, Scotland, is by Lieut.-Col. William Johnston, Brigade Surgeon of the Army Medical Staff of Newton Dee, Murtie, Aberdeenshire. In 1861, the late Mr. Alexander Johnston printed at Aberdeen for private circulation, 250 copies of "A Short Memoir of James Young, Merchant Burgess of Aberdeen and Rachel Cruickshank his spouse, and of their descendants," &c., in which the descendants were brought down to 1860. The work before us has also been printed for private circulation. Lieut.-Col. Johnston informs us in his Preface, that it is "an attempt to bring the account down to the end of 1893." The book gives much genealogical and biographical matter relating to many distinguished Scottish families and individuals. The book is handsomely printed on laid paper, and is well indexed.

The Trubee Family, by Mrs. Garlick, is a book that in every way reflects credit on the author. It makes a very handsome volume, and is evidently a work on which much labor has been expended to make it accurate and full. "Realizing the fact," the author says in her introduction, "that unless the members of a family are sufficiently interested in their past record to preserve it in writing, it will be forgotten and lost by the passing away of generation after generation, I have written for the benefit of ourselves and descendants a history of our family, commencing with our Hebrew ancestor, Andris Trubee of Holland." The volume is embellished by many fine portraits and other engravings.

The next volume, "Ralph Shepard, Puritan," by the late Mr. Shepard of New Haven, N. Y., is an elegantly printed book, the edition of which is limited to fifty numbered and signed copies. The author's dedication is "To my Father, Sidney Shepard, Esquire, a lineal descendant of Ralph Shepard, in the sixth generation, I lovingly inscribe this Book." The book contains all that could be gathered relative to the author's emigrant ancestor who came to New England in 1635. He died Aug. 20, 1693, aged 90. An engraving of his gravestone at Malden is given. Besides the account of Ralph Shepard, two generations of his descendants are found here. The book is a worthy memorial of a worthy ancestor.

Dr. Parker's Gleanings from Parker Records contains gleanings concerning various persons of the name in England and America, many of whom have won distinction. The book is printed in an elegant manner, and is illustrated with fine engravings.

The Family Notes by the late Hon. Joseph P. Bradley, a Justice of the United States Supreme Court, are devoted to the descendants of Francis Bradley, who settled in Fairfield, Conn., in 1660. They were written for the benefit of his children, and have been edited and published by his son. Much historical as well as genealogical matter is here preserved. The book makes a handsome volume. It shows great research.

The Peirce Family Record is by Edward W. West, Esq., of Brooklyn, N. Y., who in 1864 published a thin pamphlet under the same title, and in 1869 issued several pages of additions and corrections. These were noticed in the REGISTER for October, 1872. The present work is much enlarged and improved. It has an Appendix containing accounts of some related families, namely: Hardy, Grafton, Gardener, Dawes, Lathrop, Cordis, Russell, Haswell, Gray, Chipman, Blanchard, Holland, May, West, Wyman, Cobia, etc. The book is well prepared, and makes a handsome volume.

Mr. Brown's book on the Old Families of Bedford, Massachusetts, is a work of much merit, and is commended to those who trace their ancestry to that town. It is illustrated by engravings.

The Gibbs Family Record is a handsome pamphlet from the University Press. It gives the descendants of James Gibbs of Bristol, Massachusetts Bay, who is supposed to be from Bristol, England. The biographies are full and precise.

The Odell pedigree is by Mr. King of Yonkers, N. Y,, who has contributed many articles to the REGISTER. He finds the name spelled Wadehelle, Wadhull, de Wahul, Wodhull, Woodhull, Wodell, Odell, Odill, Odle, etc. The emigrant ancestor of the family here recorded was William Odell, an early settler of Concord, Mass., who, Mr. King thinks, came with Rev. Peter Bulkeley, or about that time. The pedigree is carefully compiled.

The next three works, Hooe-Barnes, Dade and Fowke, are by the careful genealogist, Rev. Mr. Hayden of Wilkes-Barré, Pa., whose "Virginia Genealogies" were noticed by us in January, 1892.

The next three works are by Lieut. Temple Prime, U. S. A., Huntington, N. Y. They are second editions of works previously published. They all relate to families of high repute in New England history. The works are carefully compiled, and printed in a handsome manner. They are illustrated by engravings. The Nelson book contains a portrait by Smibert of the hero of Samuel Adams Drake's novel, "Captain Nelson." (See REGISTER, vol. 33, p. 261.)

The Family of John Savage is a reprint from the REGISTER for July last, with very large additions. One of the appended articles gives a list of the Revolutionary soldiers of the family, their rank and service. The two brothers, Savage, of Lowell, who compile this monograph on their family history in America, have devoted a large amount of diligent and intelligent research to its accomplishment. We understand that its distribution is to be private, but we apprehend that genealogists desiring copies could likely be accommodated by early application.

The Needham Branch of the Tolman Family, by Mrs. Pickford, gives a line of the Tolman family not carried out in the article on the Tolmans in the REGISTER for July, 1860. It makes a handsome pamphlet.

Mr. Brown's "History of the Shepard Family" furnishes details of a Vermont family of this name, of which little has previously been preserved in print. The author deserves credit for his work.

The Parsons Genealogy is by Gen. Lewis B. Parsons of Flora, Clay county, Illinois, who traces his ancestry to Joseph Parsons of Springfield, Mass., relating to whom and his descendants an article will be found in the REGISTER for July, 1847. Appended is an article giving the author's ancestry in his maternal line—Hoar.

The Sprague pamphlet gives the ancestry from that family of the author, Dwight H. Kelton, LL.D., of Montpelier, Vt., captain in the United States Army. He is the author of "Annals of Fort Mackenac," etc.

The "Historic Records of an Old Family" is by Rear Adm. Francis Ashbury Roe, U. S. N. The "Old Family" is that of Roe, which the author traces to Scandinavia at an early date. Much interesting matter is preserved in this pamphlet.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FROM AUGUST 1, TO DECEMBER 1, 1894.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

Corporations in the Days of the Colony. By Andrew McFarland Davis. Reprinted from the Publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. Cambridge. 1894. 8vo. pp. 34.

The Inaugural Addresses of the Mayors of Boston. Vol I., 1822-1851. Published by the City Registrar. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 415.

Record of the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who served the United States of America in the War of the Rebellion and Previous Wars, Buried in the City of Portsmouth, N. H., and the Neighboring Towns of Greenland, Newcastle, Newington and Rye. By Joseph Foster. Portsmouth, N. H. 1893. 8vo. pp. 76.

Remarks on some rare German Prints of New York and Quebec, and on Contributions in the year 1781 by the Churches of Massachusetts to the Distressed Inhabitants of South Carolina and Georgia. By Samuel A. Green, M.D. [Boston, 1894.] 8vo. pp. 7.

Jonathan Holman, a Revolutionary Colonel. By John C. Crane. Worcester. 1894. 8vo. pp. 19.

The Crafts Family. By James M. and William F. Crafts. Northampton. 1893. 8vo. pp. 863.

The Early Records of the Town of Dedham. 1659–1673. Edited by Don Gleason Hill. Dedham. 1894. 8vo. pp. x.+304.

The Public Records of the State of Connecticut. From October, 1776, to February, 1778, inclusive. By Charles J. Hoadly, LL.D. Hartford. 1894. 8vo. pp. iv.+653.

Maps of the Street-lines of Boston, made for the Selectmen in 1819 and 1820. By John Groves Hales. Published by the City Registrar. Boston. 1894.

Report of the Class Secretary of the Class of 1875, Bowdoin College. [By Myles Standish, M.D.] Boston. 1894. 12mo. pp. 43.

The Present Status of Pre-Columbian Discovery of America by Norsemen. By Hon. James Phinney Baxter. Washington. 1894. 8vo. pp. 10.

Rev. Jacob Green of Hanover, N. J., as an Author, Statesman and Patriot. By Rev. Joseph F. Tuttle, D.D. Crawfordsville, Ind. [1894.] 8vo. pp. 55.

II. *Other Publications.*

Catalogue of Westminster College. Fulton, Missouri. 1894. 8vo. pp. 44.

The Story of the City Hall Commission, including the Exercises at the Laying of the Corner Stones and the Dedication of the City Hall and Memorial Hall. Edited by Prentiss Webster. Lowell. 1894. 8vo. pp. 233.

Minutes of the General Association of the Congregational and Presbyterian Churches of New Hampshire. Vol. VI. Concord. 1894. 8vo.

Third Report of the Record Commissioners relative to the Early Town Records. Providence. 1893. 4to. pp. 8.

Proceedings of the Trustees of the Peabody Education Fund. Cambridge. 1894. 8vo. pp. 62.

The First Houses of Bound Brook. By Rev. T. E. Davis. Bound Brook, N. J. 1893. 4to. pp. 35.

Third Annual Report of the Trustees of Public Reservations. Boston. 1893. 8vo. pp. 53.

Transactions of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1893. Part II. Boston. 1894. 8vo.

The Struggle for Freedom in Kansas. By Thomas Ewing. Reprinted from the Cosmopolitan Magazine. 1894. 4to.

Historical Society Newbergh Bay and the Highlands. Newbergh, N. Y. 1894. 4to. pp. 60.

Proceedings of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science, Session of 1892–3. Halifax, N. S. 1893. 8vo.

Proceecings and Collections of the Nebraska State Historical Society. Lincoln, Neb. 1894. 8vo. pp. 64.

The Honorable Elijah Leonard. A Memoir. London, Ont. 8vo. pp. 51.

The History of Holden, Mass., 1684–1894. By David Foster Estes. Worcester. 1894. 8vo. pp. x.+446.

Souvenir of Charlestown and Bunker Hill Monument. Charlestown. 1894. 4to. pp. 86.

The Unveiling of the Columbus Statue, New York, May, 1894. New York. 1894. 4to. pp. 30.

Celebration of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, 1769–1894. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 145.

Indianland and Wonderland. By Olin D. Wheeler. 8vo. pp. 105.

Letters from Alaska. By Horace Briggs, Ph.D. Buffalo. 1889. 12mo. pp. 87.

Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Peabody Institute of the City of Baltimore. Baltimore. 1894. 8vo pp. 51.

Thirtieth Report of the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 167.

Constitution and Records of the Claim Association of Johnson County, Iowa. By Benjamin F. Shambaugh, A.M. Iowa City. 1894. 8vo. pp. 196.

Proceedings and Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada. Vol. XI. Ottawa. 1894. 4to. pp. 153.

The Medical Register of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. John Shrady, M.D., Editor. Vol. XXXII. New York. 1894. 16mo. pp. clxxi.+261.

A Partial Catalogue of the Publications of the Essex Institute. Salem. 1894. 16mo. pp. 28.

Town Histories and Genealogies in the Library of the Essex Institute. Salem. 1893. pp. 30.

Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, 1894. Boston. 1894. 8vo. pp. 1094.

The Fones Record. Vol. I. By James N. Arnold. Providence. 1894. 8vo. pp. 199.

Centennial Celebration of the Incorporation of Pittsburg. 8vo. pp. 50.

Specimen Pages of a Pythian History of New Hampshire. By Charles B. Spofford. Manchester, N. H 1894. 8vo. pp. 11.

The Revolutionary Soldiers of Claremont, N. H. By Charles B. Spofford. Claremont. 1894. 8vo. pp. 20.

Grand Rapids, Mich., as it is. 1894.

General Joseph Martin and the War of the Revolution in the West. By Prof. Stephen B. Weeks Washington. 1894. 8vo. pp. 74.

The Archives of Harvard College. By Justin Winsor. Worcest r. 8vo. pp. 4.

Watertown Records. Comprising the First and Second Books of Town Proceedings, with the Land Grants and Possessions; also the Proprietors' Book and the First Book and Supplement of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Watertown, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. vi.+161+199+81.

The Early Records of the Town of Providence. Vol. VI. Providence. 1894. 4to. pp. vi.+328.

Hillsborough. Address at Hillsborough Bridge on the Field Day of the New Hampshire Historical Society, October 3, 1893. By Amos Hadley, Ph.D. Concord. 1894. 8vo. pp. 17.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Bangs.—The History and Genealogy of the Bangs Family is being compiled by Dean Dudley, Esq., of Montrose, Middlesex County, Mass. This notice has been published in the REGISTER before, as Mr. Dudley is a family historian of long experience, and has been gathering material for the Bangs family book ever since 1849.

He inserted a tabular pedigree in the REGISTER, vol. viii., page 369, and another genealogical article of the Bangses in vol. x., pp. 157–9. This work will be well illustrated and bound in one volume.

Barnes.—The descendants of Timothy Barnes, or Barns, of Connecticut are requested to correspond with Byron Barnes Horton, Sheffield, Pa.

Cleveland or Cleaveland.—Edmund J. Cleveland, Hartford, Ct., has now ready for the press a genealogy of this family. The work is the result of years of labor, and a large outlay of money. It will be printed, when enough subscribers to defray the expense are obtained, in two volumes, illustrated with portraits, and the edition will be limited to six hundred copies. The work will make about 2000 pages, printed on fine paper, large octavo, and will be handsomely bound in cloth, gilt top, and will be furnished to subscribers at $15 a set. Subscriptions should be addressed to Edmund J. Cleveland, 48 Beacon St., Hartford, Ct.

Livingston.—The Rev. William Farrand Livingston, 187 State Street, Augusta, Maine, is preparing a history and genealogy of the Livingston family in America. Any information relating to the ancestry of the family and descendants, both living and dead, will be gratefully received. Correspondence is solicited from all persons interested, and those able to furnish material are requested to forward names, dates and other facts to Mr. Livingston for incorporation in the volume.

Mason.—A genealogy of the descendants of Major John Mason, first deputy governor of Connecticut, is in preparation. Communication from members of the family is desired. L. B. MASON, *60 Lexington Ave., New York City.*

Munson.—The Munson Record, a family history, was begun in 1882, and since then, excepting about two years, it has been the one employment of the historian, Rev. Myron A. Munson. A prospectus has been issued by the Committee on Publication, of which Richard H. Greene of New York is chairman, for publishing the work by subscription. It is estimated that the work will make about 1250 pages. The work will be handsomely printed and illustrated. It will make two volumes, and the subscription price will be $10 in cloth, or $9 in paper. Subscriptions received by the treasurer, Jared H. Munson, secretary of the committee, No. 60 Broadway, New York City, who will send applicants a detailed circular.

Street.—Mrs. Mary A. Street, Exeter, N. H., corresponding secretary of the Street Family Association of England and America, has compiled for the association a genealogy of this family which is ready to put into the printer's hands. The book will make 500 pages, including the index. Mrs. Street will send circulars to applicants.

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History of the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire, from its Settlement in 1638 to the Autumn of 1892. By JOSEPH DOW. Edited and Published by his Daughter. Salem, Mass.: Printed by the Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1893. 8vo., 2 volumes, pp. 11+1104 in both volumes. Price $6 for the complete work. Sold by Miss Lucy E. Dow, Hampton, N. H.

The late Joseph Dow, A.M., of Hampton, who died Dec. 16, 1889, aged 82, commenced early in life to collect facts relating to the history of his native town. As far back as 1838 he was selected to deliver an historical address in commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Hampton. This address was printed the next year. It showed a remarkable knowledge of the history of New England, and particularly of his section of it. It, at once, became a standard work in local history. He lived half a century after that work was published, and during that time was indefatigable in collecting and arranging the history of Hampton. At his death he left the work practically finished. If the town of Hampton had extended to him the aid which his friends asked for, the book would have been printed during his lifetime, and under his own supervision.

Mr. Dow was fortunate in having a daughter who shared his tastes. She has edited the work, and successfully carried the book through the press. Miss Lucy E. Dow says in her preface: "It is not easy for one person to enter into another's labor and carry out his plan, even though the material be ready at hand;" and she adds that she can scarcely hope to have realized her father's ideal.

The History of Hampton shows a vast amount of labor, and both father and daughter are deserving of much praise. The first volume is devoted to the history of the town, and the second volume to its genealogy. The work is well printed, and is embellished with numuerous portraits, views of buildings and other engravings. A good index is furnished. We hope that the work will be liberally patronized, and that it will be found in all our best public libraries and private collections.

Suffolk Deeds, Liber VII. Boston: Rockwell & Churchill, City Printers, 1894. 8vo.

The seventh volume of Suffolk Deeds has been issued. It has a kindred likeness and interest with those which have preceded. The hopes of the friends of their publication are being realized. New interest in the early possession and transference of properties has been awakened. Historian and genealogist vie with each other in making service of them in proving and disproving traditional statements. Many thanks are due the authorities for the support given Thomas F. Temple, Esq., Register of Deeds, John T. Hassam, Esq., and Frank E. Bradish, Esq., for the several parts they have rendered in making public in a larger sense this volume so full of value. The first deed recorded in this volume is of property granted by Thomas Joy to Richard Way, 18, 1st mo, 1667-8, and thence onward to October 15, 1672. During the early part of this period, the deeds were attested by Freegrace Bendall, Clerk of the County Court, and the latter by Isaac Addington, Recorder. He who would know the ordinary living and strivings of the people of two centuries ago cannot afford to neglect to study the early deeds of the New England colonies. The index, like the predecessors, is superb. He who runs may read. The glance is only needed by the busy barrister to know the present value of a deed. Suffolk County, nobly followed by York County, is setting a magnificent example for other counties in the Commonwealth and nation.

By Rev. Anson Titus, of Somerville, Mass.

Americans of Royal Descent. A Collection of Genealogies of American Families whose Lineages are Traced to the Legitimate Issues of Kings, etc., etc. By CHARLES H. BROWNING, Ardmore, Pennsylvania. Third edition. Philadelphia: 1894. Pp. 736. Price $10, $12 and $15, according to binding.

Mr. Browning of Ardmore, Pennsylvania, has issued a third edition of his "Americans of Royal Descent." His first edition a dozen years ago met with a rapid sale, and new demands have called not only for more editions, but for an extended Bulletin, in which are many important corections and additions. In fact the Bulletin is rich in worth, since it places many a family on the right, after wandering for a season on the wrong track. These notes become as posts of warning. Many of the pedigrees which foreign barristers have compiled of American families, in hope of gain, have proved untrustworthy by painstaking genealogists. Among the families whose royal descent has been decidely disproved is the Adams family. We have several times shown the error of this pedigree, which was contributed in good faith to the REGISTER for January 1853, pp. 39-46, by the late William Downing Bruce, F.S.A. of London. Mr. Browning in good spirit also joins in exposing the forgery. This is only a single case. He who consults Mr. Browning's book must put generous study upon the Bulletin—the last and best revision of his earlier labors. An excellent index of the body part of the book and of the Bulletin rounds out a volume full of genealogical information.

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Glimpses of Old New England Life. Legends of Old Bedford. By ABRAM ENGLISH BROWN, author of History of First Sabbath School of Bedford, History of Bedford, and Bedford Old Families. Published by the author. Boston: R. H. Blodgett, printer. Sold by Abraham E. Brown, Bedford, Mass.

This book, as the title indicates, is a collection of tales of New England life. The story entitled "The Witch of Shawshine" is perhaps the most interesting. But, while it is fitting that our generation should be so prolific in producing books relating to New England life and history, it does seem as if some of our writers would be better occupied if they dwelt more upon the pleasanter and brighter aspects of colonial life. Our forefathers may have had some of the faults and failings pertaining to the age in which they lived, but (as history conclusively shows) not in so large a measure as their contemporaries in other lands. What an exhaustless mine of history and romance do the annals of New England offer to the prose writer and the poet. What hitherto almost unexplored fields lie open on every side. Our great epic poem and our great historical novel has yet to be written. And then it is of great importance in the development of our country, in the combining and harmonizing

of the various elements that go to the making of it and the different interests involved therein, that the New England idea, the New England spirit (the logical outgrowth of the spirit of Old England) be thoroughly taught and understood, so that it may continue to be the moulding and shaping force in the future that it has been in the past. The New England ideal has ever been marked by a firm adherence to truth and duty, by a splendid faith and trust in God. And men and women of New England descent have largely assisted in opening up and making fruitful different sections of our country, have assisted in developing in a large way and on a grand scale the thought and action of our people, and have ever carried with them the good old English principles of steadfastness and tenacity which have made our race the dominant one wherever it has planted itself. No race of modern times has had and exercised such a genius for government, for implanting and nurturing principles of liberty (not license), for contributing to the onward march of human progress. And it may be that our Republic with its written constitution will be a surer anchorage, a more lasting home than even Old England for the principles of true liberty, for all that stands for English thought and life, for all our grand heritage from the mother-land; a heritage forever assured as long as all English-speaking peoples stand true to the traditions of our race.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Woodsville, N. H.

Concord, Massachusetts. Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1635–1850. Printed for the Town. Royal 8vo. pp. vii. + 496. Price $5.

At the annual meeting of the town of Concord, March 30, 1891, a committee was appointed consisting of five members, of which the late Rev. Grindall Reynolds, D.D., was chairman, to "procure the printing of the town's ancient registers of births, marriages and deaths." The committee have performed their duties in a very satisfactory manner, and the noble volume before us is the result of their labors. Concord was settled in 1635, and only a few towns in New England go back to an earlier date. The committee in their preface say: "It has been termed with truth one of the 'seed towns.' The descendants of the original settlers are scattered far and wide over the whole country. It is probable that the number of such descendants living outside of the town far exceeds the number of those living in it at the present time." The preface says also: "All the members of the committee appointed by the town have given much interest and a good deal of general superyision to the work; but it is simple justice to say that the great burden of investigation and labor has fallen upon Mr. George Tolman, one of the committee. He has given unremitting care and a very large portion of his time to the preparation of the book. He has sought in every direction for information which might cast side light upon the Town Records themselves. If the book shall prove to have the merits that such a book ought to have, a full measure of credit should be given to Mr. Tolman."

The volume before us is a model for those who have the charge of printing the records of a town. We commend the indexes particularly to their attention. By indicating whether the record indexed is of a birth, marriage, death, or other item, much time is saved to the reader.

The Public Records of the State of Connecticut, from October, 1776, to February, 1778, inclusive. With the Journal of the Council of Safety, from October 11, 1776, to May 6, 1778, inclusive, and an Appendix. Published in accordance with a resolution of the General Assembly, by CHARLES J. HOADLY, LL.D., State Librarian. Hartford: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. iv.+658.

The State of Connecticut has previously published the Records of the Colony in fifteen volumes, from 1636 to 1776, and the Records of the Jurisdiction of New Haven in two volumes, from 1638 to its union with Connecticut in 1665. Of these volumes, volumes 1, 2 and 3 of the Records of the Colony of Connecticut were edited by Dr. J. Hammond Trumbull. The other fourteen volumes have been edited by the present editor, Dr. Hoadly, whose work on these volumes extends through a third of a century. They are a monument to his literary and antiquarian attainments.

Having completed the editing and publishing of the Records of the Colony, he has taken up the Records of the State, and the first volume is before us.

The resolution of the General Assembly of Connecticut, under which this volume is issued, was adopted upon the motion of the Connecticut Society of Sons of the Revolution, and approved February 25, 1893. The work has been edited in the same thorough manner as the volumes previously issued.

This volume "contains," says Dr. Hoadly in his paper, "about one half of the first manuscript volume of the 'Records of the State of Connecticut,' and all of the first volume of the Journal of the Council of Safety which was not printed in the fifteenth volume of the 'Colonial Records of Connecticut.' The Journal of the Governor and Council, as distinguished from that of the Council of Safety, is supposed to be lost. . . . It is not known that the journals either of the Upper or of the Lower House of the General Assembly for the period covered by this volume are in existence."

The book shows the same learning and judgment as its predecessors. It is handsomely printed and is well indexed.

The Records of the Proprietors of the Narragansett, otherwise called the Fones Record. Rhode Island Colonial Gleanings. Volume I. By JAMES N. ARNOLD, Providence, R. I.: Narragansett Historical Publishing Company. 1894. 8vo. pp. ix.+199. Price $1.50.

Mr. Arnold, whose "Vital Statistics of Rhode Island," in six large quarto volumes, have been noticed by us as the volumes appeared, has begun a "Supplement" to that work under the title of "Rhode Island Gleanings." The first volume, now before us, is devoted to what are known as the "Fones Records," consisting of the records of the Narragansett Proprietors. Mr. Arnold has done a good work in preserving these historic land records in print. The importance of these records, the editor states, require that they should be edited, but circumstances induce him to print them in their present form, and at some future time to publish a volume of notes, explanatory, historical and critical, illustrating these records. He will be obliged to those having documents or facts illustrating the work to communicate them to him. Other volumes of the "Colonial Gleanings" are in preparation.

Suffolk Manorial Families, being the County Visitations and other Pedigrees. Edited, with Extensive Additions, by JOSEPH JAMES MUSKETT. Privately Printed. Exeter: William Pollard & Co., Printers. 1894. Price to subscribers, 5s. a part. Address the Editor, care of J. Muskett Yetts, Esq., 56 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London.

The first part of this valuable serial was noticed by us in July last. The object of the editor is to make it an exhaustive *resumé* of the Genealogy of Suffolk, England. The present part contains pedigrees of Sharpe of Islington, Mildmay of Essex, Alabaster of Hadleigh, Vesey of Hintlesham, Risby of Thorpe Morieux, Still of Hadleigh, Browne of Edwardstone, and other families. The Pedigrees are generally accompanied by wills, inquisitions and other documents. Much genealogical matter of interest to New England families will be found in these numbers, and we hope the work will find many subscribers in this country. We commend it to the attention of the librarians of public libraries. Part V. will contain the ancestry of Rev. George Burrough, the victim of the witchcraft delusion of 1692. Mr. Muskett writes that he would gladly give a page to the descendents of Isaiah Thomas, the founder of the American Antiquarian Society, or other descendants of George Burrough, if authentic information were furnished him.

Massacre of Wyoming. The Acts of Congress for the Defence of the Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania, 1776–1778. With the Petitions of the Sufferers of the Massacre of July 3, 1778, for Congressional Aid. With an Introductory Chapter by Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A., Corresponding Secretary of the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society. Printed for the Society, Wilkes-Barré, Pa. 1895. 8vo. pp. xxiv.+85.

This pamphlet is issued by the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society. It contains, as the title-page shows, a collection of documents and facts relative to the Massacre at Wyoming, July 3, 1778. The Society has done well to collect and preserve in print a full history of this tragic event. The introductory chapter by the Rev. Mr. Hayden adds much to the value of the collection. The reader will find here fuller material than any other work contains.

The Fast and Thanksgiving Days of New England. By W. De Loss Love, Jr, Ph.D. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin & Company. 1895. 12mo. pp. 607. Price, $3.

This is a much needed work. The author says in his Preface that it "aims to place before you the historical facts relating to the Fast and Thanksgiving days, which the Fathers of New England have transmitted to their children." "Herein," he adds, "you will find set forth the conditions leading to the adoption of the Fast and Thanksgiving system in New England in place of the holy days of the Church of England, the circumstances under which it was developed and the reasons for its decline."

The author has spent a great amount of research on the subject of this book, and has succeeded in throwing light on many points where till now there was obscurity. The volume will be found interesting reading as well as indispensable for reference. Fifty pages are devoted to a Calendar giving in tabular form the year, month, and day, when Fast and Thanksgiving were observed in New England, from 1620 to 1815, with the state, executive authority and some other details. A Bibliography of 84 pages is also given. Facsimiles of several early Proclamations are found here. The book is well indexed.

Representative Men of Connecticut, 1861–1894. Everett, Mass.: Massachusetts Publishing Company. 4to. pp. 400. Full bound in morocco, gilt edges. Price, $15.00. Address, William F. Moore, Everett, Mass.

The volume before us contains nearly two hundred biographies of Representative Men of the State of Connecticut, most of which are illustrated with portraits of a high order of merit. It is a valuable addition to American biography and will be found useful to many classes of readers, and should be in all our large public libraries, particularly as a reference book. Those who use these libraries often wish to obtain reliable information about those who have been active in the affairs of the State of Connecticut for the last third of a century. Mr. Moore, the projector and editor of the work, deserves much credit.

The book is handsomely printed on fine paper, and the portraits are of a high order. It has an index.

The Southern Historical Society Papers. Vol. XXII. Edited by R. A. Brock, Secretary of the Southern Historical Society. Richmond, Va.; Published by the Society, 1894. 8vo.

The publications of the Southern Historical Society, of which the twenty-second volume is before us, have been frequently commended in the Register. The editor, Mr. Brock, has rare qualifications for the office of Secretary of the Society and for editing the volumes which it issues. His ability, industry and care admirably fit him for these positions. His work as editor of this series of volumes, which he has held for a number of years, and as editor of the Collections of the Virginia Historical Society, from 1888 to 1892, during which time eleven volumes were issued filled with valuable historical matter relating to Virginia, entitle him to rank as a benefactor of his native State.

The present volume deserves the same high praise which has been awarded to previous volumes.

Heraldry in America. By Eugene Zieber. Published by the Department of Heraldry of the Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company. Philadelphia. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. 427. Price, in red cloth, $10; handsomely bound in full red turkey morocco, gilt edges, $15.

This book, which appears at a time when Heraldry is receiving more attention in this country than formerly, contains a great amount of information on Heraldry and kindred subjects. Mr. Zieber says in his Preface: "The book is designed to meet a felt want in America for a popular work on heraldry. The writer has endeavored to group in a concise and intelligent manner all that is necessary to enable the student correctly to interpret and apply the manifold laws of the gentle science of Arms. In this respect the book is largely a compilation, as are all modern works upon the subject. It contains, in addition, a collection of material—gathered from use of royal and other seals upon Colonial documents, and individual armor upon old tombstones, hatchments, tablets, family plate, wills, deeds, etc.—showing an early practice and wide recognition of heraldry in America." It is well to state that in colonial times as well as in our own, individuals frequently used arms to which they had no right.

The book does credit to the author, who evidently has bestowed much labor upon it. It is embellished with numerous engravings which illustrate the various subjects treated of. It is printed in the best manner, and is well indexed.

Recollections of Life in Ohio from 1813–1840. By WILLIAM COOPER HOWELLS. With an Introduction by his son WILLIAM DEAN HOWELLS. Cincinnati: The Robert Clarke Company. 8vo. pp. xiv.+207. Price, $2.

Mr. William Dean Howells, the well known author, says in his Introduction to this book: "It was at my suggestion that my father began, ten or twelve years ago, to set down the facts of his early life. At first the record was meant for the family only, but when I came to read it over, I found it so full of experiences and observations of general interest that I urged him to continue it, with a view to final publication and yet keep it as simple and informal as he had originally intended." Mr. Howells died August 28, 1894, at the age of 87, before his work was finished. After his death, his son wrote a conclusion and prepared the work for the press. The book will interest those who desire to know what sort of life was led in Ohio at that time. "A middle-class English family coming to Ohio early in the century," says the editor, "could see the primitive American life more or less from the outside."

Collections and Proceedings of the Maine Historical Society. January, 1895. Published for the Society by Brown Thurston Company, Portland, Maine. 8vo. pp. 112, and index to preceding volume. Price $3 a year.

Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society, April, 1895. Vol. III., No. 1. Providence, R. I. Published by the Society. 8vo. pp. 74.

The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography. Published quarterly by the Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Va. April, 1895. Vol. II., No. 4. 8vo. pp. 126. Price $5 per annum. Single number $1.50.

William and Mary College Quarterly. Historical Magazine. Edited by LYON G. TYLER, M. A., William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va. January, 1895. Vol. III., No. 4. 8vo. pp. 76. Price $3 per year.

We give above the titles of the latest issues of the quarterly publications of three of our historical societies and of one college. They preserve much valuable historical matter. The several historical societies print their proceedings in their quarterly periodicals. We commend them to historical students in all parts of the country.

Genealogical Sketch of the Ludlam Family from the Early Settlement of Cape May County, N. J., 1692. Compiled by ANTHONY J. LUDLAM, November, 1878. Springfield, Ill.: H. W. Hokker, Printer and Binder. 1878. Royal 8vo. pp. 19.

Chronological Record of the English Manns. By J. B. MANN. Rochester, N. Y.: E. R. Andrews's Book and Job Printing House. 1874.

Though these books were printed about twenty years ago, it seems proper to notice them in the REGISTER. The Ludlam pamphlet gives the descendants of Anthony Ludlam, an early emigrant from England, who settled at Southampton, L. I., as early as 1640. His son Joseph removed to Cape May county.

The Mann book is by Rev. Joseph B. Mann, who died at New Woodstock, N.Y., June 1877, aged 28. Mr. George S. Mann, in his "Mann Memorial," calls it "A work quite readable and credible in dealing with some of the New York branches." But he intimates that in relation to other branches the author is frequently in error.

The Standishes of America. By MYLES STANDISH, A.M., M.D. Boston, Mass.: Privately printed for the author, by Samuel Usher, 1895. 8vo. pp. viii+149. A few copies can be obtained of George E. Littlefield, 67 Cornhill. Price $3.

History and Genealogy of Peter Montague of Nansemond and Lancaster Counties, Virginia, and his Descendants, 1621–1894. Compiled and published by GEORGE WILLIAM MONTAGUE. Amherst, Mass.: Press of Carpenter & Morehouse. 1894. 8vo. pp. 494. Price $5. Sold by the author, Amherst, Mass.

Stephen Lincoln of Oakham, Massachusetts; his Ancestry and Descendants. Compiled by JOHN MORRIS, Hartford, Conn. Press of the Case, Lockwood and Brainard Company. 1895. 8vo. pp. 109.

The Descendants of James and William Adams of Londonderry, now Derry, N. H. Compiled by ANDREW N. ADAMS of Fair Haven, Vt. Rutland: The Tuttle Company Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 87. Price $1. To be obtained of the author, Fair Haven, Vt.

Davidson Genealogical Charts. Large quarto (9 by 12 inches).

History of the Hamlin Family, with Genealogies of the Early Settlers of the Name in America, 1639–1894. By H. FRANKLIN ANDREWS. Part One. Exira, Iowa. 1894. 8vo. To be published periodically.

Kelton Family Items. By DWIGHT H. KELTON, LL.D., Montpelier, Vt. 8vo. pp. 14. One hundred copies printed.

Account of the Second Annual Gathering of the Bailey-Bayley Association, held at Andover, Mass., August 14, 1894. Bradford, Mass.: Levi C. McKinstry, Printer, 1894. 8vo. pp. 23.

Mehetabel Chandler Coit. Her Book. 1714. Bulletin Print. Norwich, Conn 1895. 12mo. pp. 19.

Additions and Corrections to Sumner Genealogy to January 1895. 8vo. pp. 3.

Supplement No. 2 to the Genealogy of the Family of Gamaliel Gerould. Bristol, N. H. Printed by R. W. Musgrove. 1895. 8vo. pp. 17. Price $1.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works relating to genealogy which have been recently published and presented to this society.

Dr. Standish's work, "The Standishes of America," supplies a want ong felt. Capt. Myles Standish is a prominent figure in New England history, but very little has heretofore been printed about his descendants. The author of this book, while a student in college, began to collect facts about his ancestry and kindred. "The work," he says, "proved attractive to me, and has occupied a generous share of my leisure time for the last twenty-one years." Dr. Standish has been very successful in tracing the posterity of his valorous ancestor, and 99 pages are filled with the record of those who are known to be his descendants. He has appended accounts of other families by the name of Standish in the United States and Canada, not a few of whom are supposed to be descendants of the Mayflower Pilgrim. The book is elegantly printed, and is embellished with portraits and views. It is well compiled, and has good indexes.

The book on the Montague family of Virginia is compiled by George William Montague of Amherst, Mass., to whom we are indebted for the book on the Montagues published in 1886, and noticed by us January, 1887. It is a companion volume to that work, and does for the Virginia Montagues what was done for those of New England birth and lineage. It is well printed, and is embellished by portraits and other engaavings. It has a good index.

The next book, on Stephen Lincoln of Oakham, gives his descendants and one line of his ancestors. He was born at Rehoboth, Mass., Dec. 3, 1751, and was descended in the sixth generation from Thomas Lincoln, an early settler of Hingham, Mass. The book is well compiled and indexed. It makes a handsome volume.

The book on the descendants of James and William Adams contains also sketches of the families of Robert Cochran and Joseph Morrison of Londonderry and of Deacon Thomas Cochran of New Boston, N. H. It is illustrated by portraits, and a map of a portion of Rockingham county. It will be found useful to those whose kindred are here preserved.

The Davidson Genealogical Charts consist of cards numbered by letters, A, D, E, G, I. They give descendants of William and Mary Davidson, who emigrated from the North of Ireland to this country in 1728. The matter is arranged in columns, a column being given to each generation. Card A was issued in 1887. The work has been discontinued in this form, but the author is engaged on a larger work of which the plan will be given in a subsequent issue.

The work on the Hamlin family is to be issued in numbers. The first number contains sketches of the family in Europe, and begins the genealogy of James Hamblen of Barnstable, Mass., 1639. It promises to fill a long felt gap in New England genealogy. Subscriptions received by the author, Audubon, Iowa.

The Kelton items by Dr. Kelton of Montpelier, Vt., is devoted to descendants of Thomas Kelton, who resided at Boston in 1661. Some of his descendants write the name Kilton, and a few Carleton. We hope the author will compile a full genealogy of the family.

The proceedings at the gathering of the Bailey-Bayley Association, to which the next pamphlet is devoted, were quite interesting. We trust that a volume of genealogy will be the result of these meetings.

Mehitable Chandler Coit, from whose papers the genealogical matter in this pamphlet is compiled, was a granddaughter of William and Annis (*i. e.*, Agnes) Chandler of Roxbury. She was married at Woodstock in 1695 to John Coit of New London. The pamphlet was issued last Christmas, as a loving tribute to her memory, by M. P. Gilman of Norwich, Ct., and two other descendants from her.

The next pamphlet is by William Sumner Appleton, and consists of Additions and Corrections to his "Record of the Descendants of William Sumner," published in 1879. Similar pamphlets were issued in January of the following years: 1881, 1882, 1883, 5886, 1890 and 1892.

There have been two supplements to the Gerould Genealogy by Rev. Samuel L. Gerould, then of Goffstown, now of Hollis, N. H., the first in 1890 and the pamphlet before us in January last. This work was printed at the charge of Henry Gerould, M.D., of Cleveland, Ohio.

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PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FROM DECEMBER 1, 1894, TO MARCH 1, 1895.

Prepared by the Assistant Librarian.

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Colonial Life in Rutland. Address of Burton W. Porter, Esq., in the Congregational Church in Rutland, Mass., August 14, 1894. Worcester. 1894. 8vo. pp. 16.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CRATFIELD PARISH DOCUMENTS.—The importance of these parish documents which lie unnoticed for centuries in the solid oaken chests in our churches has been fully estimated by antiquaries. When registers have perished the genealogist has often found his knowledge supplemented by reference to the parochial accounts and public events, as well as the habits of our fathers in private, have light thrown upon them by the quaint items of expenditure which the Churchwardens record year by year.

The late Rev. William Holland, Rector of Huntingfield, Suffolk, made large transcripts from these books, and the Cratfield extracts have been selected for publication, being of unusual antiquity. They begin in 1490, and the forthcoming volume carries the record as late as 1642. The accounts of the Parish Guild will be valuable to those who are studying the detail of Guild History. Mr. Holland has added historical notes at the end of each year, by which the reader may see how the incidents of village life were frequently the reflection of famous national episodes, for instance how a remote Suffolk village was affected by the Lady Jane Grey rebellion, or by the Spanish Armada.

Every care has been taken to preserve the original spelling, etc., and the editorship has been entrusted to the Rev. Canon Raven, D. D., F. S. A., Vicar of Fressingfield, a parish adjoining to Cratfield.

The work will be published by Messrs. Jarrold & Sons, of 10 and 11 Warwick Lane, E. C.

CLAPP.—I have made an exhaustive collection of local material regarding the English ancestry of Capt. Roger Clapp and others of the name in Devonshire. To complete the evidence, however, will require the Parish Registers of Salcombe Regis and Sidbury, both of which have most unfortunately perished (the latter very recently), and their missing entries can now only be obtained by a search of the Bishops' Transcripts in the Diocesan Registry at Exeter. If any members of the family take sufficient interest in their ancestry to defray a portion at least of the small amount necessary to do this and perfect their pedigree, I should be pleased to communicate with them. J. HENRY LEA.

18 Somerset St., Boston.

GILLMAN FAMILY.—Alexander W. Gillman, Esq., 16 Sussex Square, Brighton, Sussex, England, has in press a work entitled: "Searches into the Gillman family, including the various branches in England, Ireland and America." The author has been engaged in the work during the past six years. It will be printed in crown quarto and will make about 200 pages. Price to subscribers, bound in cloth, carriage paid, in England, £1 5s.; in America, $6.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.— Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Chase.—William A. E. Thomas, Trinity College, Hartford, Ct., has long been occupied in compiling a genealogy of the Chase Family, which will be published by Joel Munsell's Sons, Albany, N. Y., as soon as a sufficient number of subscribers are obtained. The author expects no remuneration for his labor. The price of the work will be $5 a copy. Circulars will be sent to those interested.

Eggleston.—W. E. Hogans, Hawthorne, Elmhurst, Illinois, has in preparation a genealogy of this family, descended from Bagat or Bagget Eggleston, an early settler of Dorchester, Massachusetts, who removed to Windsor, Ct.

Everett.—The history of this family is being collected by the author of the article on the Everett family in the REGISTER, vol. xiv., pp. 215-219. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mr. Edward F. Everett, P. O. Box 1428, Boston, Mass.

Hartwell.—L. W. Densmore of Hillsborough Centre, N. H., has in press a genealogy of the Hartwell family. It is estimated that it will make a volume of one thousand pages. Further particulars can be obtained of the author.

Hills.—Genealogical information is being collected by the "Hills Family Genealogical and Historical Association," of which Thomas Hills of Boston, Mass., is president, and Edward M. Hills of Taunton, Mass., is the secretary. Circulars furnished by the secretary.

Jones.—A genealogy of the descendants of Deputy Gov. William Jones of New Haven is in preparation by Edwin A. Hill, 2 Church street, New Haven, Ct., and Timothy Jones, 19 Liberty street, Danbury, Ct. Suitable blanks and further particulars will be furnished on application. The ancestry of Gov. Jones is particularly desired. Information relative to any family portraits, manuscripts or heirlooms, which are still in existence, is also desired.

Kimball.—Leonard Allison Morrison, A.M., of Windham (P. O. Canobie Lake), N. H., and Prof. Stephen Paschall Sharples, S. B., of Cambridge, Mass., have in preparation a History of the Kimball, Kemball, Kymbold Family in America and England. The authors have been for many years engaged in researches concerning the descendants of Henry Kimball of Watertown, Mass., and Richard Kimball of Ipswich, Mass., and have succeeded in tracing the origin of the family in England. A prospectus for publishing the work has been issued, which will be sent on application. The book will make a large 8vo volume of from 800 to 1000 pages. The price will be five dollars a copy to subscribers.

Sayres.—Theodore M. Banta, P. O. Box 1401, New York city, is collecting material for a history of the Family of Sayre, Sayres, Sayer, Sayers, &c. Thomas Sayer or Sayre came from England to Lynn, Mass., in 1638, and in 1640 was one of the founders of Southampton, Long Island. Mr. Banta has a somewhat full account of his descendants for several generations. Circulars, with blanks for returns, will be furnished on application.

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Chronicles of Border Warfare, or a History of the Settlement of the Whites of North Western Virginia and of the Indian Wars and Massacres in that section of the State; with Reflections, Anecdotes, &c. By ALEXANDER SCOTT WITHERS, A New Edition, Revised and Annotated by REUBEN GOLD THWAITES. With the Addition of a Memoir of the Author and Several Illustrative Notes by the late LYMAN COPELAND DRAPER. Cincinnati: The Robert Clarke Company. 1895. 8vo. pp. xx.+447. Price,

The original edition of this valuable work was published in 1831, sixty-four years ago, at Clarksburg, Virginia. Mr. Thwaites says in his Preface to this edition: "The author was a faithful recorder of local tradition. Among his neighbors were sons and grandsons of the earlier border heroes, and not a few actual participants in the later wars. He had access, however, to few contemporary documents. He does not appear to have searched for them, for there existed among the pioneer historians of the West a respect for tradition as the prime source of information which does not now obtain: to-day we desire first to see the documents of the period, and care little for reminiscences, save when it fills a gap in or illuminates the formal record." Mr. Thwaites adds: "The weakness of the traditional method is well exemplified in Withers's work."

The deficiences of Mr. Withers's work have been amply supplied by the late Dr. Lyman C. Draper, whose life-long and successful work in collecting materials for Western history is well known. In 1890 he was engaged by the Robert Clarke Company to prepare and edit a new edition of Withers. As "the best living authority on the details of Western border history," he was well qualified for the task. He began his work with interest, but on the 26th of August, 1891, he died leaving the work unfinished. He had written the memoir of Withers and had prepared the notes for about one quarter of the work.

Mr. Thwaites, Corresponding Secretary of the Historical Society of Wisconsin, in which office he is Dr. Draper's successor, was selected to finish his work, and see the edition through the press. This he has done in a thorough and highly satisfactory manner.

The History of Florence, Massachusetts. Including a Complete Account of the Northampton Association of Education and Industry. Illustrated. Edited by CHARLES A. SHEFFELD. Florence, Mass.: Published by the Editor. 1895. 8vo., pp. 250. Price $2.50.

"Three years ago," writes the editor in the preface of this work, "a book illustrating the attractions of the village was conceived," and "as no one could be found to contribute an adequate historical sketch, the writer reluctantly assumed the task." That he faithfully carried out his conception, both in the illustrations and the history, the book before us gives ample evidence. Illustrations of the choicest bits of Florence scenery, mingled with the likenesses of the men and women who have made Florence what it is, are profusely scattered throughout the book. The first chapters, devoted to the settlement and early history of the place, exhibit the result of considerable research. The book begins to be of more than local interest in the seventh chapter, which treats of the mulberry fever and silk enterprise. The history of the Northampton Community, as given by Mr. Sheffeld in chapters eight and nine, forms an important contribution to the history of socialism in New England. Part two of this work consists of reminiscences of old Community times, the religious and educational history of Florence, biographies, and sketches of the present industrial interests, written by various authors. The book is neatly printed on good paper and makes an attractive volume. L. H. G.

Report on Canadian Archives. By DOUGLAS BRYMNER, Archivist. (Being an Appendix to Report of the Minister of Agriculture.) Ottawa. 1883–1893. 11 volumes. 8vo. Various pagings.

In 1871, at the request of a large number of writers and other interested persons, the Canadian Parliament established under the direction of the Minister of Agriculture a department of Historical Archives. Mr. Douglas Brymner, a native of Scotland but for many years a resident of Canada, was selected to organize the new department. The choice of an archivist was an excellent one. Mr. Brymner began with empty rooms in 1872, and in less than a quarter of a century has brought together an exceedingly valuable collection.

Copies of the Haldimand Papers form the most important part of Mr. Brymner's collection. The original papers, in 232 volumes, were given to the British Museum in 1857. They were gathered by Sir Frederick Haldimand while Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Canada (1778–1784), and are made up largely of correspondence and documents relating to the period of the Revolutionary War. The material in this collection is of as much value to the historians of the United States as to those of Canada.

The Bouquet Papers—a collection of 30 volumes, also in the British Museum,—have also been copied. These papers cover the period from 1754 to 1765, and contain much information about Bouquet's military operations. The State Papers of Upper and of Lower Canada, with a large amount of miscellaneous matter, make up the balance of the Canadian Archives.

The annual reports of the archivist consist chiefly of calendars of the above mentioned papers.

By William P. Greenlaw, Esq., Cambridge, Mass.

A General Catalogue of the Trustees, Teachers and Students of Lawrence Academy, Groton, Massachusetts, from the time of its incorporation, 1793–1891. With an account of the Celebrations of the Ninetieth and One Hundredth Anniversaries. Groton: 1893. 8vo., pp. 291. Price $1.50.

Besides the catalogues of the Trustees, the Teachers, and the Students of Lawrence Academy for the first hundred years of its existence, the work before us contains accounts of the celebration of its ninetieth anniversary, June 21, 1883, and of its centenary, June 17, 1893. The academy was organized and opened early in 1793, and was incorporated by the State of Massachusetts September 25 of that year. Its roll of graduates includes the names of many who have been distinguished in the various walks of life.

On the 25th of February, 1846, the name of the institution was changed to the "Lawrence Academy of Groton," liberal donations having been received from the brothers, William and Amos Lawrence, of Boston.

At the first celebration in 1883, an Alumni Association was formed, with Dr. Samuel A. Green of Boston as president, and Judge William A. Richardson of

Washington as first vice president. The association has done much to bind the scattered graduates together and to increase the prosperity and usefulness of the academy. The speeches at both these celebrations were worthy of the theme, and revived many reminiscences of earlier days of the institution. Among the present officers of the Association are the Hon. Byron B. Johnson, of Waltham, who is president, and George A. Sanderson, Esq., of Littleton, Secretary.

Report of the Massachusetts Commissioners on the New Hampshire and Vermont Boundaries. House Document No. 868—1895. 8vo. pp. 22.

We have here, in convenient form, certified copies of the joint resolution of the New Hampshire legislature; the report of the Massachusetts Commissioners, covering the agreement with the authorities of New Hampshire and of Vermont; the joint resolution of the Massachusetts legislature; and the report of the Massachusetts surveyor. In connection with the earlier reports of 1887, 1889 and 1891, it presents a full history of the negotiations, discussions and contentions relating to the northern boundary of Massachusetts, as decreed by the king. The value of the surveyor's report would have been increased if he had given the full names of gentlemen, whom he records as Mr. Cromacks, Mr. Howe, Mr. Whithed and the late Mr. Belding.

A photograph of the monument, erected on the site of the boundary pine, can be seen at the New-England Historic Genealogical library.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

The Life of John Paterson, Major-General in the Revolutionary Army. By his great-grandson THOMAS EGLESTON, LL.D., Professor of Mineralogy and Metallurgy in the School of Mines of Columbia College, New York. Illustrated. G. P. Putnam's Sons. New York: 27 West Twenty-third Street. London: 24 Bedford Street, Strand. The Knickerbocker Press. 1894. 8vo. pp. ix.+293.

This book shows the result of exhaustive research, and the careful comparison of the facts obtained. It would be well if there were more such clear, exact and definite contributions to the history of our country. The author not only gives an interesting account of his ancestor, Major-General John Paterson, but his work takes a much wider scope than that of the biography of a single man; it is in many ways a valuable contribution to the history of the Revolutionary War, throwing as it does much light upon the great struggle for liberty. It seems to me that this period of our history cannot be too fully dwelt upon by our historical writers. It was a time of momentous importance to our forefathers, and also to the world at large, for this great struggle for independence again enunciated the grand principle of civil and religious liberty (the inheritance of all English-speaking peoples) contained in Magna Charta, and which then seemed in danger of being swept away. As all our colonial history leads up to the Declaration of Independence, so the continual re-assertion of the principle of liberty (of civil and religious freedom under the law of the land) therein contained is the only safeguard of our continued existence as a free and independent nation.

By the Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Woodsville, N. H.

Early Records of the Town of Providence. Providence: Snow & Farnham, City Printers. Sm. 4to vols. 3 to 8, vol. 3, 1893, pp. 296; vol. 4, 1893, pp. 298; vol. 5, 1894, pp. 295; vol. 6, 1894, pp. 328; vol. 7, 1894, pp. 264; vol. 8, 1895, pp. 212.

These volumes are "printed under Authority of the City Council of Providence," by the Record Commissioners, Horatio Rogers, George Moulton Carpenter, and Edward Field. Since our notice of the series in July, 1893, the above named six volumes have appeared. The last volume brings the records down to the year 1687. The plan of the publications has been fully stated in our previous notices of the work. The citizens of Providence are to be congratulated in having so important a project placed in such competent hands.

Inscriptions from the Old Cemetery in Groveland, Mass. (formerly East Bradford). Compiled by LOUIS A. WOODBURY, M.D. Groveland. 1893. 8vo. pp. 105+vii. Price, $1.00.

Many dates and facts not elsewhere recorded are preserved in burial grounds. Dr. Woodbury has done a good work in copying and preserving in print the inscriptions on the tombstones of Groveland.

Recollections of a Ministry of Forty Years, December 11, 1854–December 11, 1894. By CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, D.D. Printed, not Published. Geo. H. Ellis, 141 Franklin St., Boston. 8vo. pp. 36.

This is an interesting paper read by Rev. Dr. Bradlee at a meeting of the "Boston Association of Ministers" held in Boston, January 14, 1895. The readers of the REGISTER will be interested in this paper, giving the recollections of one who for nearly forty years has been a member of our Society, who has held important offices in it, and who has been a valued contributor to the REGISTER. Dr. Bradlee's ministerial life has been passed in Boston and its vicinity and his reminiscences embrace the chief Unitarian ministers and their churches during the last forty years, and he gives graphic descriptions of them. Dr. Bradlee's life has been passed in doing good and is characterized by zeal, faithfulness and benevolence. Appended to the paper is an account of the private celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the doctor's ordination, which took place December 11, 1894. Other interesting matter is added.

The Published Records of Midway Church. Vol. I. S. W. Murray, Newnan, Ga. 1894. 8vo. pp. 166. Edition, 150 copies. Price, $1.50.

The Midway Church, a Congregationalist society, whose records are here printed, is a perpetuation of the colony that left Dorchester, Mass., in 1695, under Rev. Joseph Lord, and settled in South Carolina at a place near Charleston, which they named Dorchester. A letter to Judge Sewall from Rev. Joseph Lord, the pastor of the church, dated "Dorchester in Carolina, May 25, 1706," is printed in the REGISTER, vol. xiii., pages 299 to 300. There is an unprinted diary extant kept by Elder William Pratt, who was a member of the Dorchester S. C. Church, but after several years' residence there returned to New England and became pastor of the church at Easton, Mass., where he died in 1713. The diary is in an almanac printed in 1691, and now belongs to Prof. Joshua Eddy Crane, of Bridgewater, Mass.

In 1752, the church and colony removed to Midway, Liberty County, Georgia. The records here printed begin in 1754. They are edited by Rev. James Stacy, D.D., pastor of the Presbyterian church at Newnan, Georgia, a son of the Midway church. Dr. Stacy says: "As the original Records of the Carolina church seem hopelessly lost and the Midway records begin simply with an account of the persons received, we have no means of determining, with anything like accuracy, the precise number of the original members." The church celebrated its centenary, December 6, 1852, an account of which is printed here. Dr. Stacy has added much other historical matter relating to the church and colony. We understand that if sufficient encouragement is received he will print a second volume containing the remaining records, and also write a fuller history of the old church. We commend the work to New England readers, who will find much of interest in its pages. "The Dead Towns of Georgia," by Hon. Charles C. Jones, LL.D., printed in the fourth volume of the Collections of the Georgia Historical Society, noticed by us in July, 1878, contains much information about the Dorchester and Midway colonies.

A Continuous Family Genealogy and Records of Events, Containing Charts, Tables and Blanks for Ancestral Records, Family Register, Personal History, Important Family Events, Wedding Ceremonies, Family Autographs, Obituary Notes, Miscellaneous Items, etc. By JAMES CARLETON ARMS. Hartford, Conn.: Arms Publishing Company. 1894. 8vo. Prices: (240 pages) In English grained calf, $5: in pebble grain morocco, $4; in American seal, $3; (175 pages) in English cloth, $2.

This title gives a clear idea of the object of the work. It is divided into three parts; the first is intended for a Complete Ancestral History; the second for a Family Register; and the third for Records of Family Relatives. This is an ingenious book and we think will be found very useful. "The record," we are told, "is intended to meet the requirements not only of those who desire a full family history, including all the family lines, but is also adapted to a less extended and incomplete history, the blanks being arranged so that any omissions will not cause confusion."

A Tour around the World. By GEORGE E. RAUM. New York: William S. Gottsberger, Publisher, 11 Murray St. 1895. 12mo. pp. 430.

This volume contains: "A brief sketch of the most interesting sights seen in Europe, Africa, Asia and America, while on a two years' ramble." Mr. Raum has made a valuable and readable book.

The Family of Zaccheus Gould of Topsfield. By BENJAMIN APTHROP GOULD. Lynn, Mass.: Published by Thos. P. Nichols. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. viii.+353. Price, $5.

Marsh Genealogy, giving several thousand Descendants of John Marsh of Hartford, Ct., 1636–1895; also including some Account of English Marshes and a Sketch of the Marsh Family Association of America. Compiled, Edited and Published by DWIGHT WHITNEY MARSH, of Amherst, Mass. Amherst, Mass: Press of Carpenter & Morehouse. 1895. 8vo. pp. lxviii.+516. Price, $5.

The Ancestors of Lieutenant Thomas Tracy of Norwich, Connecticut. By Lieutenant CHARLES STEDMAN RIPLEY, United States Navy. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers. 1895. 8vo. pp. 100. For copies address Walter K. Watkins, 18 Somerset St., Boston. Price $2.50.

A Record of the Descendants of Allen Breed who came from England in 1630. Hathaway & Brothers. The Evans Printing House: Philadelphia. 1892. 8vo. pp. 229.

Family Record of the Maltby-Morehouse Family. A List of Pedigrees, with Genealogical Notes, arranged for the convenience of the Children of George Ellsworth Maltby and Georgia Lord (Morehouse) Maltby. By THEIR MOTHER. The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Press: New Haven, Conn. Royal 8vo. pp. iv.+157.

Items of Ancestry. By A DESCENDANT, I. M. R. Privately Printed. Boston: David Clapp & Son. 1894. 8vo. pp. 93.

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The Hartwell Family. An Account of the Descendants of William Hartwell of Concord, Mass. 1630–1895. By L. W. DENSMORE. Hartford, Conn.: The Fowler & Miller Company, Printers. 1895. 8vo. pp. 80.

Notes upon the Ancestry of Ebenezer Greenough and of his Wife Abigail Israel, and also a List of their Descendants. 8vo. pp. 38.

History and Genealogy of the Stewart, Elliott and Dunwody Families. By JOSEPH GASTON BULLOCH, M.D. Print of Robinson Printing House, Savannah, Ga. 1895. 8vo. pp. 23. Price, $2. Address, Dr. J. G. Bulloch, 100 President St., Savannah, Ga.

A History and Genealogy of the Families of Bellinger and De Veaux, and Other Families. Savannah, Ga.: The Morning News Print. 1895. 8vo. pp. 109. Price, $3. To be obtained from Dr. J. G. Bulloch, Savannah, Ga.

Capt. John Thomas of Braintree, Mass. By the Hon. JOSEPH W. PORTER, of Bangor, Me. 8vo. pp. 6.

A Needed Correction in the Pedigree of the Cotton Family as given by Mr. Savage, Mr. Sibley, and some Others. By HENRY WILLIAMS, A.B. Boston. 1895. 8vo. pp. 3.

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Descendants of James and William Adams. By ANDREW N. ADAMS, 1894. Price $1.50 (not the price given in our notice in the April number). Sold by the author, Fair Haven, Vt.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of recently published works relating to genealogy.

The first book whose title appears on our list is Dr. Benjamin A. Gould's fine volume on the Gould family. Dr. Gould began his researches on the history of his family over forty years ago. During that time he has been indefatigable in his researches, employing much of his leisure on the work. Town, church and county records in New England, as well as English records, have been laboriously and extensively examined. In 1870, before leaving for South America where he spent fifteen years, he prepared an abstract of the information then acquired, which he left with Dr. Henry Wheatland, president of the Essex Institute, in the Collections of which Society it was printed in instalments and in 1872 appeared as a pamphlet of 100 pages. Since his return to this country he has continued his investigations, which he has preserved in the volume before us. He has traced the ancestry of Zaccheus Gould to Thomas Gould of Bovingdon, Hertfordshire, who was born probably not later than 1455. Many details about the family in England have been secured. The descendants of Zaccheus Gould have been quite thoroughly traced and are here printed. Other families of the name are appended. The book is clearly arranged and well indexed. It is handsomely printed and is illustrated by facsimiles of ancient documents, and a map showing the land of Zaccheus Gould in Topsfield and houses of other early settlers. The book is an admirable one and Dr. Gould has done a noble work for the family.

The Marsh Genealogy, the next on our list, is also a superior genealogy. The author, Rev. Dwight Whitney Marsh, D.D., of Amherst, Mass., has been a long time collecting materals relating to the name, and he has had the assistance of the Marsh Family Association, of which, for several years, he was president, and the proceedings at the gatherings of which are printed in this volume. The book makes a beautiful volume of over five hundred pages. Much labor has evidently been bestowed upon it, and the result is a very thorough record of the descendant of John Marsh, the stirps of this family, and a considerable amount of information about the name in England. The book is well indexed. It is illustrated by eighteen fine engravings, of which sixteen are portraits.

The next book is by Lieutenant Ripley, U. S. N., author of the Ingersolls of Hampshire, noticed by us in April, 1894. This volume gives the ancestors of Lieut. Thomas Tracy, the emigrant ancestor of the New England Tracys, but not his descendants. Much research has evidently been bestowed upon it. The author shows that the Norwich settler inherited the blood of many historic families and of many prominent personages in the various walks of life.

The Breed Genealogy is by J. Howard Breed, of Philadelphia. It is a well compiled and well printed volume of over 200 pages, and contains a good record of the descendants of Allen Breed, an early settler of Lynn, Mass. One of these descendants resided at Charlestown and gave name to the Hill on which the engagement generally known as the Battle of Bunker Hill was fought. The book is well indexed.

The Maltby-Morehouse book was prepared by the late George Ellsworth Maltby of New Haven, who intended to embrace in it genealogies of Bogart Morehouse and Brown, besides Maltby, but his sudden death prevented his finishing more than the portion relating to Maltby, a limited edition of which has been privately printed for his widow, Mrs. Georgia Lord (Morehouse) Maltby. We hope that Mrs. Maltby will see that the material collected for the other three parts is completed and published at some future time. The book is well compiled and makes a handsome volume. It has a good index.

The "Items of Ancestry" by Mrs. Ida M. Robinson, of New York city, contains the lineage of the author and her husband in twenty-two families, namely: Robinson, Frost, Akerman, Jackson, Tuttle, Otis, Bailey, Nutter, Pickering, Adams, Bass, Alden, Sherburne, Knight, Chapman, Tracy, Stanbery, DeGroot, Steele, Thacher, Partridge and Fuller. The book seems to be carefully compiled, evidencing careful and comprehensive research, and presents a very large amount of new matter of value and interest to a large circle of readers descended from the various families. It is well printed, and has an unusually full index.

The work on the Macra family was, as stated on the title-page, written in 1704

and transcribed in 1786. This pamphlet was printed a few years ago at the private press of Colin Macrae, of Camden, S. C. Appended is a brief account of the family of Dachmaluack. Much interesting matter is preserved here.

The leaflet on the Achnagart family was also printed by Mr. Macrae, of Camden. It is dated June 1, 1878.

The Pierson pamphlet, we are told in the preface, "represents the work of over twenty-five years, in which the author has given to it all the time he could spare" from his business. It is a valuable work.

The Hawes pamphlet, which is an address before the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, preserves much information about the Hawes family and particularly about Edward Hawes, an early settler of Dedham, Mass., and his descendants. It is well written, handsomely printed and is embellished with a fine portrait of Lieut. Joseph Hawes, who served in the Revolution.

The Hartwell pamphlet is by the author of the Hand-Book of the Hartwell Genealogy, published in 1887 and noticed by us at the time. Mr. Densmore intends to prepare a history of the Hartwells, which will make a volume of about one thousand pages. The price will be $10. Subscribers are requested to send $5 with their subscriptions, the balance to be paid subsequently. We hope he will have a large list of subscribers.

The Greenough and Israel pamphlet is by Franklin Platt, of Philadelphia. It is "strictly confined to the direct ancestor in each generation, brothers and sisters and their descendants being entirely ignored." It is well written and well printed.

The next work, the pamphlet on the Stewart, Elliott and Dunwody families, is an interesting account of those families, with a brief notice of the Stacy family.

The next pamphlet, on the Bellinger and De Veaux families, is by the same author as the last, Joseph Gaston Bulloch, M.D. Like that pamphlet, this is a well written performance.

The Thomas pamphlet is a reprint from the REGISTER for April 1895, as is also Mr. Williams's pamphlet, "Correction in the Pedigree of the Cotton Family." The Fitzpen *als.* Phippen pamphlet is reprinted from Mr. Waters's Gleanings in the same number.

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An Historical Address delivered before Bay State Lodge, No. 40, I. O. O. F., at its Fiftieth Anniversary, Lynn, Massachusetts, March 6, A.D. 1894. By Nathan M. Hawkes, P. G. Lynn, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 24.

Why the Old Town House was Built and Some Things which have been talked of within its walls since. By Nathan M. Hawkes. Salem. 1892. 8vo. pp. 13.

Semi-Historic Rambles among the Eighteenth-Century Places along Saugus River. By Nathan M. Hawkes. [From the Historical Collections of the Essex Institute, Vol. XXV.] Salem. 1889. 8vo. pp. 35.

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Union, Past and Present. An illustrated History of the Town of Union, Me. from earliest times to date. Union. 1895. 8vo. pp. 96.

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Dictionary of Worcester and its Vicinity. By Franklin P. Rice. Worcester. 1893. 12mo. pp. 132.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

New Index to the Probate Records.—The Registry of Probate for the county of Suffolk has long served as a model of arrangement for other public offices, and the improved system introduced there twenty years ago has since been adopted by other registries of probate. The present year sees another long stride in advance. The new index, which has been so long in preparation, is now ready for use, and for the first time in this Commonwealth the searcher of probate records has a printed index placed before him to aid him in his work. The importance of this step will be readily understood by all who have occasion to consult such records.

The new index is a consolidation of the manuscript indices previously in use, It is printed in large clear and handsome type on paper made expressly for the purpose, in three large, quarto volumes, and covers the period from 1636 to 1893 inclusive. It has been prepared under the supervision of Elijah George, register of probate and insolvency. Like the manuscript index previously in use it is arranged according to the Christian as well as the surnames of all persons whose wills have been probated or whose estates have been administered upon during that period, giving the year in which the proceedings were begun, the nature of the case (*i. e.* whether a testate or intestate estate, guardianship, trust, etc.) and the docket number. It is a perfect key to the contents of the Suffolk Probate Office with its 682 huge volumes of records, the 94,757 cases shown on its docket and the files, which it is estimated will soon number a million of documents.

A copy of this monumental work should be placed in every Probate office in the State. There is probably not a county in the Commonwealth where titles to real estate do not depend on some proceeding taken at some time or other in its history in the Probate Court for the county of Suffolk.

The fortunate inception and successful completion of this great undertaking lead us to hope that the time is not far distant when all manuscript indices in public offices will give place to printed volumes. The public convenience, the safety of the records and the progress of the age alike demand it.

JOHN T. HASSAM.

PRIZE ESSAY ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY.—A friend of Brown University has offered the sum of $200 as a prize to encourage the historical study of the development of religious liberty in America. The following regulations respecting its award are proposed:—

1. The prize shall be open to general competition.

2. It shall be given to the writer of the best essay on one of the three following themes:

(*a*) A critical comparison of the claims put forward, on behalf of Rhode Island and Maryland respectively, regarding the first establishment of religious liberty in America.

(*b*) A critical history of the movement toward disestablishment and religious liberty in Connecticut.

(*c*) A critical history of the movement toward disestablishment and religious liberty in Massachusetts.

3. No essay shall be received which is not founded upon original research.

4. The prize shall be awarded at Commencement, 1896; essays submitted in competition for it shall be placed in the hands of the President of Brown University on or before May 1, 1896.

5. The essays shall not bear the writer's name, but an assumed name. A paper bearing the writer's real name shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be written the assumed name, and which shall be handed in with the essay.

Brown University, May 20, 1895.

DESCENDANTS OF MAYFLOWER PASSENGERS.—A meeting of the founders of the "Society of Mayflower Descendants" was held on the evening of March 28th at the New York Genealogical Rooms, 24 West 44th Street, when the committee appointed at the previous meeting held on December 22, 1894, made their report which included a form of constitution and by-laws. These being adopted, the following gentlemen were elected as a board of assistants to govern the Society until the annual meeting in November: Richard H. Greene, J. Bayard Backus, Edward Clinton Lee, William Milne Grinnell, W. S. Allerton, Edward L. Norton and J. J. Slocum. Later in the evening this board of assistants organized and selected the following officers: Richard H. Greene, Chairman; Edward Loudon Norton, Secretary, 228 West 75th Street.

The movement has already proved popular and many applications for membership have been received. EDWARD LOUDON NORTON, *Sec'y.*

DIARY OF ANNA GREEN WINSLOW.—The original manuscript of this diary, which Mrs. Earle has printed in the volume noticed by us in the REGISTER, *ante* p. 96, is now in the possession of Miss Elizabeth C. Trott, 1139 Main Street, Niagara Falls, N. Y. By a typographical error the surname is printed Treat.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of births, marriages, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Ashley.—The Ashley Genealogy is in preparation by Francis B. Trowbridge, New Haven, Conn.

Bond.—Thomas Bond, 61 Stockton Avenue, San José, California, is preparing a genealogy of the Bonds of Watertown, including the matter relating to this family in Bond's Genealogies and History of Watertown, and tracing it as far back in England as possible, and bringing it down to date. Those interested are advised to send their records to him.

Edwards.—Miss Kate L. Edwards of Southbridge, Mass., is compiling an Edwards Genealogy. Communications from members of the family and others interested are desired.

Hazard.—Mrs. B. F. Robinson, Wakefield, R. I., has in press a genealogy of the Hazard Family. It will contain information about the following allied families: Allen, Arnold, Babcock, Bailey, Barker, Bond, Borden, Brooks, Brown, Bullock, Carpenter, Champlain, Clarke, Cole, Crosse, Dixon, Dyre, Easton, Gardiner, Greene, Griffen, Howland, Knowles, Lawton, Mumford, Nichols, Oatley, Peckham, Pell, Perry, Potter, Robinson, Rodman, Rogers, Stanton, Starr, Stevens, Updike, Wanton, Watson, Wilcox and Wilson. It will be issued in two volumes of about 250 pages each. Price, $5.00 to subscribers. The price after publication will be $8.00.

Herrick.—Dr. Lucius C. Herrick, of 1447 Highland Street, Columbus, Ohio, is now collecting material for a Memorial of Stephen Herrick (his grandfather) of Randolph, Vermont, and his descendants; and all persons who are able to contribute any facts relating to that branch of the Herrick family are respectfully requested to communicate the same to Dr. Herrick at the above address.

Minot.—A genealogy of the Minot Family, published by Lemuel Shattuck, Esq., in Vol. I. of the REGISTER, with a continuation and corrections, is now ready for the press. Any additions or corrections of Mr. Shattuck's article will be acceptable and made if sent to Walter K. Watkins, 18 Somerset Street, Boston, Mass.

Preston.—Charles H. Preston of Danvers, Mass., is gathering material for a Preston Genealogy.

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Reminiscences of Foreign Travel. A Fragment of Autobiography. By ROBERT C. WINTHROP. Privately Printed. 1894. 8vo. pp. 104.

Tributes to the Memory of Robert C. Winthrop, by the Massachusetts Historical Society, December 13, 1894. Boston: Published by the Society. 1894. 8vo. pp. 40.

These two volumes, the first containing the Reminiscences of Robert Charles Winthrop, and the second containing thoughtful and appreciative estimates eloquently expressed of his life and life-work, by several members of the Massachusetts Historical Society, constitute a valuable addition to the biography of one of our great public men, a man whom Massachusetts, nay our country, loved to honor while living and whose memory will be warmly cherished in the years to come. Mr. Winthrop was, to begin with, a man of good parts. And he received a careful and thorough course of instruction at Harvard College, before entering upon the service of his country in political life. After holding office in his native state, he was elected a member of congress, then speaker of the house, and finally a member of the senate of the United States. He was an excellent prose writer, and also an eloquent orator. While he will long be remembered by his published works, it is perhaps as an orator that his fame will be most secure. As Mr. Henry Lee has well said: "After Mr. Everett, we have had no orator who has irradiated so many occasions, local and national, with historical research and sage reflections presented in clear and euphonious speech." We must not forget the great service to the cause of education rendered by Mr. Winthrop as the chairman of the board of trustees of the Peabody Education Fund, given by that great philanthropist, George Peabody, the beneficent and far-reaching effects of which it would simply be impossible to calculate. The following extract from Mr. Winthrop's oration delivered at Yorktown contains weighty words in regard to the necessity of education: "Universal education, without distinction of race, must be encouraged, aided,

and enforced. The elective franchise can never be taken away from any of those to whom it has once been granted, but we can and must make education co-extensive with the elective franchise; and it must be done without delay, as a measure of self-defence, and with the general coöperation of the authorities and of the people of the whole country." And again: "Slavery is but half abolished, emancipation is but half completed, while millions of freemen with votes in their hands are left without education."

Mr. Winthrop's Reminiscences abound in keen and yet kindly analysis of character, and that too, of men who exercised a powerful influence in shaping thought and action during an eventful period. His portraitures, or rather outlines of biography, contain in a few well-turned and felicitous sentences what we feel must be accurate descriptions of character. And few men during the past half century have had so wide an acquaintance among the leading men of our own land and their English contemporaries in social, political, and literary life. One great element of his influence, one great feature of his usefulness to his fellow men, was the hopeful view which he took and constantly expressed of human nature. His judgments were kindly. Said Mr. Hamilton A. Hill: "His heart was so thoroughly under the influence of that charity that 'hopeth all things,' that *nil nisi bonum* was his rule of speech concerning both the living and the dead. He was always ready to say a kindly, pleasant and graceful thing, when this did not involve the obliteration of moral distinctions." Perhaps the most interesting feature of these Reminiscences are the glimpses which Mr. Winthrop unconsciously gives us of his own greatness of intellect, loftiness of character, and (even more) of his kindliness of heart; for these, after all, are the qualities that go to the making of the man.

It is given to but few men to attain distinction in more than one walk in life, but it was not so with Mr. Winthrop; he was a man of letters, an historical writer, an orator, a statesman, an educator, a philanthropist; he was great in all these varied walks in life, but he was greatest of all as a *man*.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston, Mass.

Lee of Virginia, 1642–1892. Biographical and Genealogical Sketches of Colonel Richard Lee, with Brief Notices of Related Families. Edited and Published by EDMUND JENNINGS LEE, M.D., member of the Historical Societies of Pennsylvania and Virginia. Philadelphia: 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. 586. Sold only by subscription. Price, $10. Sent to any subscriber on receipt of the price. For copies or other information, apply to Edmund J. Lee, M.D., 1213 Walnut St., Philadelphia.

In January, 1872, a brief article on the "Descendants of Col. Richard Lee of Virginia," appeared in the REGISTER. It was contributed by Messrs. Cassius F. Lee Jr. of Alexandria, and Joseph Packard Jr. of Baltimore, both descendants of Colonel Lee. The former had from his youth been indefatigable in collecting facts and documents illustrating the history of his family. For a score of years longer he continued his labors in this field, and at his death, September 4, 1892, had a vast amount of genealogical material relating to the Lees of Virginia. His brother, Dr. Edmund Jennings Lee, of Philadelphia, has taken this material and added to it the results of his own researches, and has given it to the public in the splendid volume before us.

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Dr. Lee gives sketches of the English families of Lee, and pays a merited tribute to the labors in that field of our correspondent, J. Henry Lee, of Fairhaven, Mass.

A List of Commencement Days at Harvard College. 1642–1700. 8vo. pp. 12.

Michael Wigglesworth. The Earlist Poet among Harvard Graduates; with Some Biographical Notes on his Day of Doom. 8vo. pp. 7.

Benjamin Tompson, A Graduate of Harvard College in the Class of 1662, and the Earliest Native American Poet, with Some Biographical Notes on his Literary Works. 8vo. pp. 22.

These three pamphlets, reprints from the Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society, are by the Hon. Dr. Samuel Abbott Green, vice-president and librarian of that society. They all are upon interesting topics connected with Harvard College.

The List of the Days when Commencement was held in the seventeenth century meets a long felt want. In October, 1879, a list partly conjectural was printed in the REGISTER with a view to collect further information. Dr. Green has made a thorough examination of existing books and documents and prepared a very full list, which will be of much service to historical students.

The pamphlet, on Michael Wigglesworth, preserves much new matter concerning the early editions of his famous "Day of Doom." Dr. Green has made a critical examination of all the accessible copies, and his descriptions of them, and the conclusions at which he arrives, as to date of publication, etc., may be relied upon.

The pamphlet, on Benjamin Tompson, "the earliest native American poet" is a bibliographical work of much interest. It principally relates to "New England's Tears for her Present Miseries," an anonymous work, published in 1676, which the author clearly proves was written by Tompson.

Dr. Green's bibliographical work is characterized by scrupulous accuracy.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, February 27, 1894. With By Laws and Roll of Members. Printed for the Society. 1895. Super-royal, 8vo. pp. 81.

On the 27th of February, 1869, the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society was organized. It was incorporated on the 26th of the following month, the certificate of incorporation being signed by Henry R. Stiles, M.D., David Parsons Holton, M.D., William Frederic Holcombe, M.D., Edward Chauncey Marshall, Seth Hastings Grant, Samuel Edward Stiles, Seymour Augustus Baker, D.D., and Samuel Smith Purple, M.D.

The Society celebrated its quarter centenary on the 27th of February, 1894, at eight o'clock in the evening, at Berkeley Lyceum Theatre. Gen. James Grant Wilson, the president of the Society, presided and introduced the speakers. Brief addresses were made by Samuel S. Purple, M.D., Edward F. De Lancey, Gen. George S. Greene, Henry Thayer Drowne, and Hon. A. T. Clearwater. The Anniversary Address was delivered by Gen. Adolphus W. Greely. These addresses are printed in the volume before us, as is also a letter from Dr. Henry Reed Stiles, dated at London, Feb. 7, 1894, in which he gives a minute account of the formation of the Society and its early history.

The Society during the twenty-five years of its existence has accomplished much in the way of collecting, preserving and diffusing material illustrating American genealogy, biography and history. It has published a quarterly periodical, the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, of which twenty-five volumes have been completed.

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The Lower Norfolk County, Virginia, Antiquary. Edited by EDWARD W. JAMES. Richmond, Va.: Whittet & Shepperson, Printers. No. I. Part I. 8vo. pp. 36.

This is a new historical magazine; and its object is to preserve in print, historical matter relating to Lower Norfolk County, Virginia, which we are told in the Introduction "comprised all of that territory which is now included within the limits of the counties of Norfolk and Princess Anne, and the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth. Its records commence in 1637 and terminate in

1691, when it was made into the counties of Norfolk and Princess Anne. The first court for Lower Norfolk was held in 1637."

The magazine is intended to be issued at irregular intervals, and as the matter seems to be abundant and valuable, we hope the intervals will be short.

Brookline Historical Publication Society. No. I. Letter from Rebecca Boylston to Edward Boylston. 8vo. pp. 8.

The magazine of which the first number is before us promises to do much for the preservation of the local history of Brookline, Massachusetts. The letter of Miss Boylston here printed is dated Brookline, March 5, 1810, and is addressed to her uncle in Springfield, Mass. It gives accounts of relatives and neighbors, which will be appreciated by genealogists. Illustrative foot-notes are added, which increase its value for them.

A Complete Copy of the Inscriptions Found on the Monuments, Headstones, &c., in the Oldest Cemetery in Norwalk, Conn. By DAVID H. VAN HOOSEAR. Bridgeport, Conn.: The Franklin Association, Printers. 8vo. pp. 47. Price in cloth, gilt top, and beveled edges, $2. To be obtained of the author, Hurlbutt St. P. O., Conn.

This book contains the epitaphs in the Old Cemetery in Norwalk, from 1704 to 1892. Some of the families whose names appear in this book are: Benedict, Betts, Came, Clark, Fitch, Jarvis, Jennings, Jones, Keeler, Lockwood, Mallory, Marvin, Platt, Raymond, Rogers, St. John and Smith.

Mr. Van Hoosear has done a good work in copying and preserving in print these epitaphs.

Records of Lineage of the Families of Dorr, Dalton, Odin, Walter, Mather, Cotton, Lynde, Bowles, Eliot and Checkley. Compiled by BENJAMIN DALTON DORR. Privately Printed. Philadelphia. May 1879. 4to. pp. 84.

Though this work has been published about sixteen years, we have thought best to draw the attention of our readers to it. It contains genealogical accounts of several prominent families. It is quite rare.

British Officers serving in America. 1754—1774. Compiled from the "Army Lists" by WORTHINGTON CHAUNCEY FORD. Boston. 1894. Large 8vo. 108 leaves. Edition, 100 copies. Price $4. To be had of the Historical Printing Club, 97 Clark St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

The List of British Officers serving in America from 1754 to 1774, compiled by Worthington Chauncey Ford, Chief of the United States Bureau of Statistics, which was commenced in the REGISTER for January 1894, was completed in the number for July 1895. Mr. Ford has had a small edition (100 copies) reprinted in book form, which will be much handier for reference. Our readers need not be told the great value of this list. It supplies a want that has long been felt by writers and students of American history. The volume should, and no doubt will be, in the principal libraries in this country.

The Perkiomen Region, Past and Present. Edited by HENRY S. DOTTERER. Issued by the Perkiomen Publishing Company, P. O. Box 316, Philadelphia. 8vo. Published in monthly nnmbers of 16 pages each. Price $1 a year.

Seven numbers of this periodical, from September 1894 to March 1895, are before us. They are devoted to the history and antiquities of the territory drained by the Perkiomen creek and its tributaries, not far from the city of Philadelphia. It was settled soon after the arrival of Penn. Much information concerning a picturesque region and its hardy settlers are here preserved. We commend the work to our readers.

Fourth Report of the Record Commissioners relative to the Early Town Records. Presented April 22, 1895. The Riverside Press. Snow & Farnham, City Printers. 1895. Fcp. 4to, pp. 17+212. City Document, 1895, No. 23.

The Record Commission of the City of Providence, R. I., was established by a joint resolution of the City Council, approved March 6, 1891. The first commissioners were Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter and Edward Field, and they have done their work in so satisfactory a manner that they still hold office.

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The Commissioners have also printed eight volumes of Records. These have been noticed by us in previous numbers of this magazine. They certainly deserve much credit for their work.

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Ancestral Chart Folded in Sectors. Containing spaces for a complete record of ten generations, arranged in concentric circles. By JULIUS H. TUTTLE. Dedham, Mass. Published under the auspices of the Dedham Historical Society. 1895. Price $1.00.

New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. Register of Pedigree. Price $0.75.

The Indexed Genealogical Register consists (for ten generations) of sixty-four sheets or charts of similar design, each cut away at the lower left corner, and so arranged as to be self-indexing. These are secured in a neat cover in such a manner as to be easily detachable, thus allowing the removal of spoiled charts or the insertion of extra ones for notes and additional generations. The backs of the charts are left blank for notes. The arrangement is such that a glance reveals the full connection between the person whose ancestry is recorded and any line of his ancestors. The book opens at the end, and each chart lies perfectly flat when in use. The Genealogical Register has points of excellence not found in other works of its kind.

Mr. Tuttle's device is a circular chart of stout jute paper, folded in sectors, and compactly secured in a triangular cover (7x16). When fully spread out, it is thirty-two inches in diameter, and presents the entire ancestry to the eye at once. Ordinarily, when in use, only two sectors are exposed in the same manner as the pages of a book; but the whole may be quickly and conveniently drawn out, like a fan, for ready reference to any part. Spaces for the names of ancestors and dates of births, marriages and deaths are given, and room for additional notes is found on the back of the sheet. This chart is very simple, easily manipulated, and shows the direct connection with any ancestor. Copyrighted.

The Register of Pedigree, which has been copyrighted and officially adopted by the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, is made up of eighteen charts each fifteen by ten inches. The first sheet contains a space for the name of the person whose ancestry is to be recorded, and serves as a title page. The second, beginning at the left, has a diagram for the ancestors up to the great-great-grandparents, and these are shown in their proper places by the cut-away or indented index at the right. The continuation of each of the sixteen lines is shown on its proper page indexed by the name of that line. The whole is a simple and ingenious scheme for recording ten generations. It was designed for the use of the society, and each member has been requested to fill out a chart and deposit it with that society.

By William Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge.

Semi-Historical Rambles Among the Eighteenth-Century Places Along Saugus River. By NATHAN M. HAWKES. Salem, Mass.: Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 1889. 8vo., pp. 35.

Essex Farms, the Cradle of American Homes. An Address by Hon. NATHAN HAWKES of Lynn. Salem, Mass.: Observer Book and Job Print. 1893. 8vo., pp. 25.

Why the Old Town House was Built, and some things which have been talked of within its Walls since. By NATHAN HAWKES. Salem, Mass.: Salem Press Publishing and Printing Co. 8vo., pp. 13.

Though these books have been printed some years, our readers who are interested in local history will thank us for drawing their attention to them.

The "Semi-Historical Rambles" is a reprint from the "Collections of the Essex Institute." It contains accounts of historic places along Saugus River, and some fine descriptions of life in Essex County in the last century.

"Essex Farms, the Cradle of American Homes" is an address delivered at Haverhill, Mass., Sept. 21, 1893, before the Essex Agricultural Society. The speaker shows in an able manner that the locality was a "Cradle of American Homes."

The last pamphlet, "Why the Old Town House was Built," is an address delivered at the dedication of the New Town Hall at Lynnfield, Mass., January 28, 1892. It is illustrated with a view of the "Old Town Hall" at that place. The book makes an interesting chapter in the history of Lynnfield.

The Story of Patriots' Day. Lexington and Concord, April 19, 1775. By GEO. J. VARNEY. Boston: Lee and Shepard, Publishers. 1895. 12mo., pp. viii. +168. Price 60 cents.

Flag of the Minute Men, April 19, 1775. Its Origin and History. By ABRAM ENGLISH BROWN. Published by the Bedford Historical Society, April 19, 1894; 11 leaves.

The anniversary of the battle of Lexington and Concord, April 19, 1775, was made a legal holiday in March, 1894, when Fast Day was abolished, by the General Court of Massachusetts, and was then named Patriots' Day.

The first of the works before us, "The Story of Patriots' Day," is a very useful hand-book for those who wish to know about the battle and its celebrations. It is compiled from the best authorities on the subject by Mr. Varney, the editor of Nason's Gazetteer of Massachusetts. An appendix is devoted to "Poems brought out by the first celebration of Patriots' Day." The book is well printed and is illustrated by a number of engravings.

The next work is by Mr. Brown, author of "Glimpses of New England Life." It relates to a "Souvenir of the 19th of April '75," being a flag which is claimed, and probably correctly, to have been carried on the historic 19th of April by the company from Bedford. The book is embellished with a representation of this flag, in colors.

Historic Danvers. Photographed, Published and Printed by FRANK E. MOYNAHAN. Danvers, Massachusetts. 1894. Oblong 8vo., pp. 100.

Military and Naval Annals of Danvers. Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Soldiers' Record. Danvers: Published by the Town. 1895. 8vo.

We welcome these additions to the local history of Danvers.

The first work, "Historic Danvers," consists of views of historic buildings and scenes in that ancient town, with historical and descriptive letter-press by Ezra D. Hines, the historian of the Danvers Historical Society. It makes an interesting and useful book.

The next work, "The Military and Naval Annals of Danvers," is by Eben Putnam, the editor of Putnam's Monthly Historical Magazine, and chairman of a committee appointed by the town to revise the records of the inhabitants of Danvers who have rendered military and naval service to their country. The report gives the service of all whose records could be recovered from the settlement of the country to the end of the war for the preservation of the union. It will be particularly useful to members of the several patriotic societies and those who wish to join them.

Oliver Cromwell. By GEORGE H. CLARK, D.D. With an Introduction by CHARLES DUDLEY WARNER and Illustrations from Old Paintings and Prints. New York: Harper and Brothers. 1895. 12m., pp. 22+258+5. Price $1.25.

In our number for October, 1894, we have given an extended notice of the first edition of the work before us. To the new edition has been prefixed an

able Introduction by Charles Dudley Warner. In it Mr. Warner says: "The present work by Dr. George H. Clark is not a dry biography, not in any sense an abridgement of Carlyle's noble work, not a rivulet of biography stuffed with English history. Such was not needed. It is a book of enthusiasm, a warm-hearted vindication of a great man, based upon careful study, and backed by indubitable authority, written with a clear American apprehension of the principles that underlay the great liberating movement of the seventeenth century in England. Exactly such a book was needed."

We commend the work to those who wish to know the true character of the great Protector.

Proceedings of the Fitchburg Historical Society and Papers relating to the History of the Town read by some of the Members. Vol. I. Fitchburg, Mass.: Published by the Historical Society. 1895. 8vo. pp. 271.

Collections of the Dover, N. H., Historical Society. Vol. I. Dover: Printed by Scales & Quimby. 1894. 8vo. pp. 305.

These are the first volumes issued by these two local historical societies, both recently organized.

The Fitchburg society prints its Constitution, an abstract of its proceedings, and a selection from the papers read before it. The papers are well written and preserve much local history.

The Dover society by vote directed the publishing committee to gather, in this their first volume, "the widely separated records of Marriages, Births, Deaths and Baptisms in Dover, N. H., down to the year 1850." This the committee have done. They could not have taken a wiser course.

Concord Town Records, 1732–1820. Concord, N. H.: The Republican Press Association. 1894. 8vo. pp. 576.

Town of Weston. Records of the Town of Weston, 1804–1826. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 437.

Alphabetical Abstract of the Records of Deaths in the Town of Dedham, Massachusetts, 1844–1890. Dedham, Mass.: Office of the Dedham Transcript. 1895. 8vo. pp. ix.+217.

We are glad to note that there is an increasing interest in the importance of preserving town records by printing them.

The records of Concord, New Hampshire, are printed by order of the Council under the supervision of a committee, consisting of the mayor of the city, P. B. Cogswell, and Messrs. Henry W. Stevens and John A. Blackwood. This volume contains the doings of the town from 1732 to 1820. A part of the records were copied by John C. Ordway and the rest by Miss Isabel S. Dana.

The Weston and Dedham volumes are additional to records of those towns previously published, which have been noticed by us. One volume of the Weston records, edited by Miss Mary Frances Peirce, was printed in 1893; and five volumes of the Dedham records, edited by the town clerk, Don Gleason Hill, have appeared. The same persons have edited the volumes before us.

The example of these three municipalities are commended to the attention of other towns.

Dictionary of Worcester (Massachusetts) and its Vicinity. By FRANKLIN P. RICE. Worcester: F. S. Barnard & Co., Publishers. 1893. 12mo., pp. 135. Price 25 cents.

This is a second issue, having been reprinted from the *Worcester Commercial.* The plan of the work, we are told in the Preface, "comprehends a handbook of general information, which, as a collection of useful references or a guide-book to the city and its surroundings, will serve equally the resident and the stranger. The scope of the work differs somewhat from that of the 'Dictionaries' issued in other cities in being more full in matters relating to the history and chronology of the subjects treated, and in containing much that is not usually included in books of a similar character."

The work seems to be carefully prepared, and will be found a useful book.

Historical Sketch of Chauncy-Hall School, with a Catalogue of Teachers and Pupils, and Appendix. 1828 to 1894. By THOMAS CUSHING. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1895. 12mo. pp. 216.

"When a strictly private school," says Mr. Cushing, in his Preface, "entirely unendowed, averaging more than two hundred pupils, has maintained itself nearly seventy years, with steady and increasing success, in a community like Boston, it seems reasonable to suppose that the facts connected with its origin and continued existence may have some interest for its numerous graduates, including many of the children and grandchildren of the earlier scholars, possibly for the general public." Such a school is that whose history is given in this book.

The Chauncy-Hall School was established in 1828 by Gideon French Thayer, A.M., of whom a memoir, by the author of this book, was published with a portrait in the REGISTER for April, 1865. Our readers who have perused that article must be convinced that the founder of this school was a remarkable man. In the book before us will be found more details of Mr. Thayer's work, his plans and his success; and of those of his associates ands uccessors. We commend the volume to our readers.

A History of the Delaware State Society of the Cincinnati, from its organization to the present time. By HENRY HOBART BELLAS, LL.B., Captain U. S. Army. The Historical Society of Delaware, Wilmington. 1895. 8vo. pp. 111.

The Society of the Cincinnati, organized in May, 1783, at the cantonment of the American army at Newburgh, N. Y., a short time before the disbanding of that army, is the oldest of American patriotic societies. It met with opposition in its early days, and some of its opponents were true lovers of their country. But their fears have been found groundless. The society has lived down all opposition, and now, in the first quarter of the second century of its existence, it is honored by the community as a firm pillar of the Republic. State Societies, supplementary to the General Society, were then formed.

The volume before us gives the history of the Delaware Society; also, "a brief account of the Delaware regiments in the war of the Revolution, and personal memoirs of officers, rolls of same, oration before the Delaware Cincinnati on the death of Washington," and other matters. The book is illustrated by portraits, facsimiles and other engravings. It is No. 13 of the Papers of the Delaware Historical Society.

Sons of the Revolution. Year Book of the Illinois Society. Chicago. 1895. Sm. 4to. pp. 123+9.

Register of Members of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the Constitution and By-Laws. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. 117.

Register of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution. Independence Hall, Philadelphia. 1895. 8vo. pp. 62.

The Constitution of the Society of Sons of the Revolution, and By-Laws and Register of the Iowa Society. Davenport: Edward Borcherott, Printer. 1894. 8vo. pp. 61.

Register of Members of the Society of Sons of the Revolution in the District of Columbia, with the Constitution and By-Laws. Washington: Printed for the Society. 1895. 8vo. pp. 60.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Ruth Wyllys Chapter. Old Hartford Burying Ground. By Dr. GEORGE LEON WALKER. Hartford, Conn.: Press of Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company. 1895. 8vo. pp. 32.

The publications of the Societies of Sons of the Revolution and of the Daughters of the Revolution have been frequently noticed in our pages. We have now before us the year books of the State Societies of the Sons of the Revolution for Illinois, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Iowa, and the District of Columbia. Most of them contain the charters, the rolls of membership, with the members' relationship to men who served in the Revolutionary war, and obituaries of deceased members, material that will prove of historical and genealogical value.

Besides these five publications of Sons of the Revolution, we have before us a publication by one of the chapters of the Daughters of the Revolution. It is a history and description of the old Hartford Burial Ground, and a plea for its improvement and preservation, presented to the Ruth Wyllys Chapter of Hartford, Conn., by the Rev. George Leon Walker, D.D. His suggestions will apply to ancient burial grounds in other cities and towns.

Annual Register of Officers and Members of the Society of Colonial Wars. Constitution of the General Society. Published by authority of the General Assembly. New York. 1895. 8vo. pp. 292+xviii.

History, Charter and By-Laws of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois, List of Officers and Members, Proceedings of the First General Court. Publication No. 4. Chicago. 1895. 8vo. pp. 63.

Proceedings of the Special Courts and Second General Court, 1894, of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Publication No. 2. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1895. 8vo. pp. 42.

The Society of Colonial Wars is doing a good work in fostering a patriot spirit among us and keeping bright the memory of the worthy deeds of our ancestors. The organization is rapidly spreading over the whole Union.

Above are the titles of recent publications of the General Society and of two of the State Societies—those of Massachusetts and Illinois. They show that the societies are active organizations. Appended to the proceedings of the Massachusetts Society are a paper by Samuel Arthur Bent, A.M., entitled, "Why was Louisburg twice besieged?" and a diary by Nathaniel Knap at the second siege of Louisburg, 1758.

Vital Record of Rhode Island, 1636–1850, First Series, Births, Marriages and Deaths. A Family Register for the People. By JAMES N. ARNOLD. Vol. vii. Friends and Ministers. Providence, R. I.: Narragansett Historical Publishing Company. 1895. 4to. pp. xlv.+634. Price $7.50.

We are pleased to note the continuation of Mr. Arnold's "Vital Record of Rhode Island." Six volumes have previously appeared, and have been noticed by us. The seventh volume is before us, the eighth is now in press, and the ninth is in preparation. The compiler has undertaken a great task, and he deserves much credit for carrying it forward so near to completion as he has done. Rhode Island is the only one of the original Thirteen States that could possibly have such a record compiled by one man only. It would, however, be a good idea if one man in each county of the other states should undertake a similar work for his county. It would be fortunate if each of the men who undertook it had the time, patience, energy and persistence to do their work as satisfactorily as Mr. Arnold has done his. When the work appears in print many who have been indifferent or careless will become warm friends of the enterprise. Mr. Arnold is deserving of the gratitude of his fellow citizens, and the State is doing a noble work in so liberally sustaining his efforts.

Royal Historical Society. Proceedings of the Gibbon Commemoration, 1794–1894. Published by order of the Council of the Royal Historical Society. London: Longmans, Green & Co., and New York, 15 East 16th Street. 1895. Crown 4to. pp. 32.

Edward Gibbon, the author of the "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," died January 16, 1794, aged 56. The centenary of his death was commemorated last year at London under the auspices of the Royal Historical Society, who have published an account of the proceedings at the commemoration, which is before us. The Earl of Sheffield, grandson of the first Lord Sheffield, the friend of Gibbon, who collected his manuscripts and other memorials, and who, twenty years after the historian's death, published Gibbon's Miscellaneous Work, was selected for president on the occasion. An exhibition of manuscripts, books, pictures, and relics, was held at the British Museum, by permission of the trustees. It was opened Monday, Nov. 12, and remained open a fortnight.

A public meeting was held in the theatre of the Museum of Practical Geology, at Jermyn street, on the 15th of November, at which the Right Hon. Sir M. E. Grant Duff, president of the Royal Historical Society, presided. After an appropriate speech, he introduced Mr. Frederic Harrison, who delivered an able historical address. The appendix contains a catalogue of the relics and other historic articles exhibited at the British Museum. A portrait of Gibbon, from Sir Joshua Reynolds's painting, embellished the volume.

"During three hundred years," says Mr. Harrison in his centenary address, "the reputation of the historian has been continually growing larger and more firm, his limitations and his errors have been so amply acknowledged that they

have ceased to arouse the controversy and odium which they naturally invited in former generations, and the civilized world, making full allowance for differences of party and of creed, has agreed to honor the historian for his grand success, and no longer to censure that wherein he failed."

The commemoration exercises and exhibition were a notable tribute to the memory of the great historian.

Biographical and Genealogical Notes of the Provost Family from 1545 to 1895. By ANDREW J. PROVOST. New York. 1895. Super royal, 8vo. pp. 131+xvi. Prices: In cloth, $5; in half morocco, $6.50; in full morocco, $7.50. Edition, 300 copies. Address, A. J. Provost, 5 to 9 Beekman St., New York city.

Records of the Bailey Family, Descendants of William Bailey of Newport, R. I., chiefly in the Line of his son, Hugh Bailey of East Greenwich, R. I. Compiled by a Descendant. Providence, R. I. 1895. 8vo. pp. 206. Edition, 100 copies only.

Genealogy of One Branch of the Webster Family, from Thomas Webster, Ormsby, co. Norfolk, England. Compiled by Prentiss Webster, Lowell, Mass. [Privately] Printed by Major Edward T. Rowell of the Lowell Courier Publishing Company, Lowell, Mass. 1894. Royal 8vo. pp. 45.

A Frontier Family [Wheelwright]. By EDMUND MARCH WHEELWRIGHT. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1894. 4to. pp. 35.

Judge John Speed and his Family. By the Rev. JOHN H. HEYWOOD. Louisville: John P. Morton & Company. 1894. 12mo. pp. 35.

A History of the Putnam Family in England and America. By EBEN PUTNAM. Salem. 1895. Introductory Part, pp. xl. to lxxiv., issued May 1895. Part VI., pp. 317 to 400, issued July 1895. Subscriptions received by the author for the complete work. Price, $15.00. No numbers sold separately.

Ancestry and Descendants of Gershom Morehouse Jr., of Redding, Connecticut, a Captain of the American Revolution. Printed for private circulation by a Descendant of Capt. Gershom Morehouse [Mr. C. S. MOREHOUSE, of New Haven, Ct.] 1895. 8vo. pp. 40.

Preliminary Sketch of the Genealogy of the Family of Deacon, originally of Bedfordshire, England. By EDWARD DEACON. Bridgeport, Conn. 1895. 8vo. pp. 19.

The Family of Meres and Some Early English Newspapers. A Paper read before the D. L. and I. S., Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 22, 1891. By EDWARD DEACON Bridgeport, Conn. 1891. 8vo. pp. 21. Bound up with the preceding work.

Major John Garrett, slain July 3, 1778. A Forgotten Hero of the Massacre of Wyoming, Pennsylvania. By Rev. HORACE EDWIN HAYDEN, M.A. Wilkes-Barré, Penn. 1895. 8vo. pp. 24.

Hooker. Reprinted from the Mail and Express of New York. 1895. 4to. Post pp. 4.

Statement of the Line of Descent from the First Comer in New England of the Branch of the Chamberlin Family of Newbury, Vermont, represented in the Seventh Generation by Abner Chamberlin. Prepared at Boston, 1894, by JOSEPH EDGAR CHAMBERLIN. Sm. 4to. pp. 11.

Chief Justice Little, with Some Account of his Descendants. From the North Carolina University Magazine for April 1895. 8vo. pp. 9.

Putnam Leaflets. Published monthly at Salem, Mass., by EBEN PUTNAM. Vol. I., No. 1. July 1895. 8vo. pp. 8.

Balch Leaflets. Vol. I., No. 1. July 1895. 8vo. pp. 8. Published monthly by EBEN PUTNAM, Salem, Mass. Price, $1 a year.

Material relating to the Essex Family of Haynes. By A. M. HAINES. Boston: David Clapp & Son. 1895. 8vo. pp. 8.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of recent publications relating to family history.

The book on the Provost family is a well compiled volume, well arranged, handsomely printed, and illustrated with fine portraits. It has a good index. The emigrant ancestor was David Provost, who was born in Amsterdam, August 10, 1608, and came to New Netherlands in 1624. Two years later he returned to

Holland, where in 1630 he married Margaretta, daughter of Gillis Ten Waert, a wealthy merchant. In 1634 he returned with his wife to the new world. His descendants are given in this volume. The author says: "Much labor, timeand some money have been spent in collecting and verifying the data used; but neither has been wasted if its readers take half the pleasure in perusing this record that was enjoyed by the compiler when engaged in this labor of love.

The next book, on the Bailey family, is devoted to the Rhode Island family of that name, descended from William Bailey of Newport. No connection has been traced between him and Richard Bailey of Rowley, Mass., a record of whose descendants, by Mr. Alfred Poore, was published in his Merrimack Valley Researches in 1858. The compiler has done a good service for her relatives by gathering up and preserving in print the record of the several branches of the Rhode Island Baileys. The book is well arranged and well printed on thick white paper. It is illustrated with views of the Gideon Bailey and the Daniel C. Bailey Houses in Greenwich, R. I., built in the last century, and numerous portraits. It has a good index. The work on the volume must have been a laborious one. In it the compiler, Mrs. Hannah C. (Bailey) Hopkins, has been greatly assisted by her step-son, Mr. Charles W. Hopkins of Providence.

The book on the Webster family, by Prentiss Webster, is devoted to one branch of the descendants of Thomas Webster, of Ormsby, in Norfolk, England, whose son Thomas came to this country and settled at Hampton, N. H. He was the emigrant ancestor of the Hon. Daniel Webster. The volume was compiled at the request of Mr. George Webster, now living in his 85th year, who "rendered much valuable assistance" to the compiler, leading him "to the stories of the localities in which his ancestors had lived, and from which the desired information had been obtained, together with many reminiscences of his father and grandfather." The book makes a handsome volume and seems to have been carefully compiled.

The work entitled "A Frontier Family" is the history of Rev. John Wheelwright, a prominent figure in the Antimonian controversy, who came to New England in 1636; and of some of his descendants. It is reprinted from the Publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, the edition being limited to 110 copies. The author, who is a descendant of Rev. John Wheelwright, has written a very interesting account of his ancestors and kindred.

The Speed pamphlet is a paper prepared for the Filson Club and read at its meeting June 4, 1894, by the Rev. James H. Heywood, of Louisville, Ky. The emigrant ancestor of the Speed family here recorded was James Speed, born in Southampton, England, in 1679, who came to this country and settled in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Many distinguished men are numbered among his descendants. Mr. Heywood has done justice to them.

The two numbers of the History of the Putnam Family whose title we give complete the first volume of the work, which is now brought down to the seventh generation. We hope Mr. Putnam's list of subscribers will be so increased, that he will be encouraged to hasten its completion.

The Morehouse book is devoted to the ancestors and descendants of Gershom Morehouse Jr., of Redding, Conn., a captain in the revolutionary war. He was born Nov. 25, 1727 and died July 27, 1822, aged ninety. He was descendant in the fifth generation from Thomas Morehouse, his emigrant ancestor, who settled in Wethersfield, Conn. as early as 1640, in 1641 removed to Stamford, and in 1658 to Fairfield where he died in 1658. The lines are well traced, and the book makes a handsome volume.

Mr. Deacon's two works on the Deacon and the Meres families are bound in one volume. On the first family, he tells us, he has been engaged for fourteen years, and this preliminary sketch is intended as a key to a pedigree rather than a genealogy of a family. The author, who is a member of the Fairfield County Historical Society of Bridgeport, Conn., has a mass of material relating to the name which we hope he will find time to arrange and publish.

The work on the Meres family gives an account of several English newspapers conducted by members of that family. Interesting historical as well as genealogical matter is here preserved.

In the Garrett pamphlet Rev. Mr. Hayden gives an interesting sketch of the life of Major Garrett and appends to it a brief Garrett genealogy. The sketch was prepared for Dr. Egle's "Notes and Queries" in the *Harrisburg Telegraph* where it was printed in October, 1893. The Wyoming Massacre has always an interest and new facts are always welcomed.

The Hooker leaflet contains an able article by Mrs. Annie A. Haxton, of the editorial staff of the *New York Mail and Express*, on Rev. Thomas Hooker, the first minister of Hartford, Conn., and some of his descendants. It is reprinted for distribution among the family by Commander Edward Hooker, U. S. N., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Chamberlin pamphlet gives a full record of the paternal ancestors of the compiler, Joseph Edgar Chamberlin. The emigrant ancestor of this family was Richard Chamberlin, who settled at Braintree, Mass. as early as 1642, and soon after removed to Roxbury, and thence about 1668 to Sudbury where he died in 1678. Mr. Chamberlin, who is of the eighth generation, has been very successful in tracing his ancestors, and gives detailed accounts of all of them in this country. It is a fine specimen of genealogy confined to one line.

The pamphlet on Chief Justice William Little of North Carolina and his descendants is by Marshall De Lancey Haywood, of Raleigh, N. C. Judge Little went from New England in the early part of the last century and settled at Edenton, N. C. In 1724 he was made Attorney General and in 1732 Chief Justice. Since the publication of this tract facts have been discovered that render it almost certain that he was the William Little, son of Isaac of Marshfield. who was born Feb. 27, 1692, and was graduated at Harvard College in 1710, The pamphlet gives a good sketch of his life with notices of his descendants.

The Putnam and the Balch Leaflets are intended to preserve in print interesting matter relating to these two families. The Putnam Leaflets are by Eben Putnam, author of the genealogy of that family noticed by us above. The work is intended to be a continuous supplement to that work. The Balch Leaflet, besides other matter, will contain liberal contributions by Dr. Galusha B. Balch, the historian of the family, who has large stores of genealogical and historical matter relating to the name.

The Haynes pamphlet is a reprint from the REGISTER for July last.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FROM JUNE 1, 1895, TO AUGUST 1, 1895.

Prepared by the Assistant Librarian.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

Four Centuries of Conflict for the Continent of North America, 1497-1897. By William Stevens Perry, Bishop of Iowa, and Historiographer of the American Church. 16mo. pp. 36.

The Confiscated Estates of Boston Loyalists. By John T. Hassam, A.M. Cambridge. 1895. 8vo. pp. 27. [Reprint, Mass. Hist. Soc. Proceedings. 1895.]

Chief Justice of the United States, or Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States? By the Hon. William A. Richardson, LL.D., Chief Justice of the Court of Claims, Washington, D. C. 8vo. pp. 7. [Reprint from the N. E. H. G. REGISTER, 1895.]

A List of Commencement Days at Harvard College, 1642–1700. By Dr. Samuel A. Green. 8vo. pp. 12. [Reprint, Mass. Hist. Soc. Proceedings. 1895.]

United States Pensioners, 1833–34 in Essex Co., Mass. By George A. Gordon, A.M. 8vo. pp. 8. [Reprint, N. E. H. G. REGISTER, 1895.]

Benjamin Tompson, A Graduate of Harvard College in the Class of 1662, and the Earliest Native Poet, with some Bibliographical Notes on his Literary Works. By Dr. Samuel A. Green. 8vo. pp. 22.

Some Early Wills. By Rev. F. W. Weaver. Reprinted from the Downside Review. 1895. 12mo. pp. 12.

Some Early Wills at Wells District Probate Registry. By Rev. F. W. Weaver. Reprinted from the Downside Review. Yeovil. [Eng.] 1895. 12mo. pp. 7.

II. *Other Publications.*

Ninth Biennial Report of the Board of Directors of the Kansas State Historical Society, for the period commencing Nov. 16, 1892, and ending Nov. 20, 1894. Also Proceedings of the Meetings, 1895. Topeka. 1895. 8vo. pp. 174.

The Charter and By-laws of the New York Historical Society. Revised May, 1895. New York. 1895. 8vo. pp. 24.

1869–1894. Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, February 27, 1894. With By-Laws and Roll of Members. Printed for the Society. New York. 1895. 4to. pp. 81.

Papers of the Historical Society of Delaware. XIII. A History of the Delaware State Society of the Cincinnati from its Organization to the Present Time. To which is Appended a Brief Account of the Delaware Regiments in the War of the Revolution. Also Personal Memoirs of Officers, Rolls of Same, Oration before the Delaware Cincinnati on the death of Washington, Etc. By Henry Hobart Bellas, LL.B., Capt. U. S. Army, etc. The Historical Society of Delaware. Wilmington. 1895. 8vo. pp. 112.

Annual Register of Officers and Members of the Society of Colonial Wars. New York. 1895. 12mo. pp. 301+xviii.

Proceedings of the Special Courts and Second General Court, 1894, of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Mass. Boston. 1895. 12mo. pp. xiv.+19+42.

Misuse of the National Flag of the United States of America. 12mo. pp. 32.

Register of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution. Philadelphia. 1895. 12mo. pp. 62.

Register of Members of the Society of Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the Constitution and By-Laws. Boston. 1895. 8vo. pp. 117.

Sons of the Revolution Year Book of the Illinois Society. Chicago. 1895. 8vo. pp. 123.

Historical Sketch of Chauncy-Hall School, with Catalogue of Teachers and Pupils and Appendix. 1828–1894. By Thomas Cushing. Boston. 1895. 16mo. pp. 216.

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London and the Kingdom. A History derived mainly from the Archives at Guildhall in the Custody of the Corporation of the City of London. By REGINALD R. SHARPE, D.C.L., Records Clerk in the Office of the Town Clerk of the City of London; Editor of "Calendar of Wills enrolled in the Court of Husting," etc. In three volumes. Printed by order of the Corporation, under the direction of the Library Committee. London: Longmans, Green & Co., and New York: 15 East 16th Street. All rights reserved. 1894 and 1895. Vol. I., pp. xv., 566. Vol. II., pp. xi., 650. Vol. III., pp. ix., 565.

The origin of London is lost in the mist of a remote, pre-historic past, and antiquaries by no means agree as to when and by whom its foundations were first laid. Its commercial fame, says Freeman, "dates from the early days of Roman dominion," and "amidst all changes within and without, it has always preserved more or less of its ancient character as a free city."

The first mayor of London was Henry Fitz-Alwin. He was elected in 1189, more than a century after the Norman conquest. In the year 1889, that being the 700th anniversary of the mayoralty, the corporation of London ordered this compilation to be made from the records in its archives, to show the influence of London upon the affairs of the kingdom. That influence, owing to the number and enterprise of its inhabitants, its geographical position and its wealth, was, as Dr. Sharpe shows, exceedingly great. The espousal by London of the cause of Parliament in the Civil War turned the tide against the king, and in more than one crisis in the history of England the decisive action of the citizens of London has shaped the course of the whole kingdom.

Each of these volumes has for a frontispiece a heliotype copy of an ancient document, the earliest being a fac-simile of the charter granted to the citizens of London by William the Conqueror.

There are two appendices, one comprising letters, early proclamations and other papers from the City's Record of Letters. It is a most interesting collection of documents, the value of which to historical students is much enhanced by their being printed in full.

These volumes and the Index to the Remembrancia* were presented by the corporation of London to the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and are an important addition to the library of the Society. It is to be hoped that other English cities may be moved to follow the example here set them, and put in print their priceless records, in this way not only making them accessible to the historian, but preserving them from any possible risk of destruction; and it cannot be too strongly impressed upon the minds of the custodians of archives that in no surer way can they earn the gratitude of historical students than by printing all such records in full.

By John T. Hassam, A. M., of Boston.

The Stiles Family in America. Genealogies of the Connecticut Family. By HENRY REED STILES, A.M., M.D., of New York City. Jersey City: Doan & Pilson, Printers. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. xii+782. Price, $5. Address H. R. Stiles, M.D., P. O. Box 1810, New York City.

Dr. Stiles, the author of the work before us, has no superior as a writer of local and family history. Over thirty years ago he published his History of Ancient Windsor, Ct., in a goodly volume of over nine hundred pages. The writer of this notice reviewed the work in the REGISTER for April, 1860, and thus characterized it: "This work," we said, "comes as near our ideal of a good town history as any yet published." He has continued to do good work in this line to the present time. His History of Brooklyn, N. Y., in three volumes, octavo, 1867–1870; his History of Kings County, N. Y., in one thick quarto, 1884, and the second edition of Ancient Windsor, revised and much enlarged, published in two thick volumes, noticed in the REGISTER for July, 1893, may be mentioned as special instances of his work in this line. The Stiles Genealogy, now before us, has been compiled in the same exhaustive manner as the author's previous works. It is full ten years since the first page of this book was printed. It contains "descendants of John Stiles of Windsor, Conn., and of Mr. Francis Stiles of Windsor and Stratford, Conn., 1635–1894; also the Connecticut New Jersey Families, 1720–1894; and the Southern (or Bermuda-Georgia) Family, 1635-1894; with Contributions to the Genealogies of some New York and Pennsylvania Families; and an Appendix containing Information concerning the English Families of the Name." The work makes a handsome volume of nearly 800 pages, with ten portraits. It is well arranged, well indexed and well printed. Only a limited edition is printed, and those who want it should lose no time in securing it.

The Fields of Sowerby near Halifax, England, and of Flushing, New York. With Some Notices of the Families of Underhill, Bowne, Burling, Hazard and Osgood. By OSGOOD FIELD, Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, &c. London: Printed for Private Circulation Only. 1895. Folio pp. vii.+131.

Mr. Field, the author of the sumptuous book before us, has been interested in the history of his ancestors for over a third of a century. In 1863 he contributed to the April number, then under the editorial charge of the writer of this notice, a valuable "Sketch of the Family of Field," which was reprinted in pamphlet form. Since then other valued articles from his pen have appeared in the REGISTER.

"In the course of a life, which has extended beyond the usual term," says Mr. Field, in his Preface, "the author has collected much information relating to the family, and, in almost every case, from original sources. The facts which he has gotten together are mostly contained in loose memoranda, which have never been arranged systematically, and which will probably be scattered or destroyed after his death. Every year the task of compiling a family history becomes more difficult, owing to the loss or destruction of ancient documents. For these reasons, he has thought it well to put the more important materials he has gathered in such a shape, that those interested in these family matters who survive, or come after him, may have the benefit of his researches."

* Analytical Index to the Series of Records known as the Remembrancia. Preserved among the Archives of the City of London. A. D. 1579–1664 [Arms of the City of London]. Prepared by the authority of the Corporation of London, under the Superintendence of the Library Committee. London: E. J. Francis & Co., Took's Court and Wine Office Court, E. C. 1878. pp. xv., 623.

A mere glance at the contents of this volume will show the richness of the material collected by Mr. Field, and his mastery of his subject. He has shown that the Fields of Flushing, Long Island, from which he himself is descended, can trace to the Fields of Sowerby. He gives four tabular pedigrees showing his descent and that of the other Flushing Fields from Richard del Feld of Sowerby, son of Roger del Feld, born about 1240. Carefully prepared biographical notices of the members of the family are given, and records and documents illustrating its history. Though only one of the early settlers of the name in New England, Robert Field, a patentee of Flushing, N. Y., has been traced in these pages, it is possible that the descendants of other emigrants may find something about their ancestors in the records here preserved.

The book is from the Chiswick Press, and is elegantly printed. It is embellished by engravings in the best style of the art, among them views of churches and other buildings with which the history of the family is connected.

American and English Sambornes. By V. C. SANBORN of LaGrange, Ills. Monitor Press, Concord, N. H. pp. 30.

The present tendency of genealogical research is towards establishing the Trans-Atlantic origin of our early New England families. This is the most difficult of all such investigations, since our ancestors rarely kept up any connection with their old world kindred. Year by year adds to the facilities for this research. Mr. Waters's publications, and those of the different English societies, render more available the mass of documentary evidence in existence. But thoroughly to trace out an ancestral line, one needs to consult the original records; parish registers, wills and inquisitions *post mortem* offer treasures to the genealogist who can avail himself of their contents.

Mr. Sanborn has interested himself in the Sanborn family for several years, and within the last six months has himself searched the records in England for the link which connects the English and American families.

The American family has been well tabulated, in a genealogy printed by Dr. Nathan Sanborn in 1856, and later by genealogies in the town histories of Hampton and Sanbornton, N. H.

The English pedigrees of the family have been full of errors, and Mr. Sanborn has, in the present volume, traced a consecutive and correct pedigree of the English Sambornes from 1350 to 1700. The line starts with one Nicholas Samborne of Wiltshire, born about 1350, whose son married the grand-daughter and heir of Sir Simon Lushill of Lushill, Steward to the Royal Household, and a connection of the Plantagenet Earls of Derby.

A branch of this Samborne family married into the Lisles of Hampshire, and we find in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries a line of Sambornes, clergymen in Hants. One of these, Rev. James Samborne, was of Puritan tendencies, and an intimate friend of Sir Thomas Jervois of Herriard, a Puritan leader and a member of the "Rump" Parliament. This Rev. James Samborne, who died about 1628, was rector of the next parish to Wherwell, Hants., where Rev. Stephen Bachiler was rector from 1588 to 1605, and near which parish he lived until 1630, when he sold his land and moved to America. Mr. Sanborn deduces from those facts fair evidence of a connection between the English and American families. Some new discoveries have also been made by Mr. Sanborn in Holland and England as to Rev. Mr. Bachiler, whose interesting life has been told in the REGISTER by the late Judge Batchelder. Mr. Sanborn also describes and engraves English arms of Samborne, and proves the coat engraved in the Sanborn Genealogy of 1856 to be without any authority; it never belonged to any Samborne family. The volume is illustrated with charming engravings of churches and houses of the English Sambornes.

Rev. Mr. Bachiler, it will be remembered, was the grandfather of the first Sambornes in this country, and brought them over with him in 1632.

Copies of the genealogy (price $1 in paper, $1.50 in cloth) may be obtained of the author.

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The Rival Claimants for North America, 1497–1775. By JUSTIN WINSOR. Worcester, Mass.: Press of Charles Hamilton. 1895. 8vo. pp. 21.

In this pamphlet Mr. Winsor (an acknowledged authority in regard to our colonial history) has given, in a fair and impartial manner, the substance of the dispute between England and her colonies on the one hand and France and her colonies on the other. Let us examine briefly the points at issue between the

two nations. France, in the time of Francis I. and later, claimed the new continent on account of Verrazzano's voyage along the Atlantic coast. But she did not permanently occupy any section of territory along the seaboard of what is now the United States; and, more than this, the Cabots in their voyage of discovery under Henry VIII. of England, had sailed along the coast at an earlier date—a seemingly conclusive settlement of the question, as far as priority of discovery (which appears to be the true test as between the two nations) could settle it. France laid special claim to the trans-Alleghany region because her subjects had first sailed down the Mississippi (although they were not the first to discover it) and had made a few settlements along the Illinois and the lower Mississippi, and still more because they had settled at the mouth of the great river. But, on the other hand, many of the British had penetrated into other parts of this region, And the English also claimed jurisdiction over this vast area because of an alleged deed of sale in 1701 from the powerful tribe of the Iroquois, who either owned or had acquired by conquest from the Hurons, Eries, Shawnees and Illinois in the northern part, and the Cherokees, Chickasaws and Creeks in the southern part of the great valley lying east of the Mississippi, practically the whole territory in dispute. Moreover, France, by the treaty of Utrecht, in 1713, had acknowledged the sovereignty of the English over the Iroquois; so that, whether we consider the opposing claims of the two nations in the light of prior discovery and permanent occupation, or in regard to the cession to the English by the Iroquois (the then dominant aboriginal tribe), there can be no reasonable doubt that the English were right. And they proceeded to make this right good by permanent occupation, by opening up and settling (not by merely establishing a few trading posts and forts, as was the custom of the French) this immense territory they had acquired. The French never had the indispensable qualities of tenacity and steadfastness that go to the making of a colonizing nation—a ruling power. Their alertness, quickness, bravery even, were no match for the patient, persistent, determined spirit of our English forefathers. They may have been equally ready with the English to enter upon any given territory; but, unlike them, they did not come to stay. Excellent skirmishers in the onward march of the great western empire, they lacked the ability to hold and make fruitful even such settlements as they had established. Their purpose was in the main utilitarian. They came not, as did our New England forefathers, to establish and perpetuate a great republic on the basis of civil and religious liberty.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston, Mass.

The Edward Jackson Family of Newton, Massachusetts, in the Line of Commodore Charles Hunter Jackson, United States Navy, Middletown, Connecticut. Compiled by FRANK FARNSWORTH STARR, for James J. Goodwin. Hartford, Conn. 1895. 8vo. pp. 85.

This book contains the results of an exhaustive search by Mr. Starr of Middletown, Ct., of one line of the descendants of Edward Jackson of Newton. The author has made a "thorough examination of the Massachusetts State Records, the records of Suffolk and Middlesex counties, of the cities of Cambridge and Newton, and family papers." He has made important corrections in the previously published genealogies of this family. He has made large extracts from the public records, and has prepared a large tabular pedigree of the descendants in this line of Christopher Jackson of Mile End and Bethnal Green, England. The book is handsomely printed and has a good index. Mr. Starr deserves much credit for the thorough manner in which he has done his work, and Mr. Goodwin is entitled to praise for the handsome way in which he has brought it out for his relatives and friends.

The Probate Records of Lincoln County, Maine, 1760 to 1800. Compiled and edited by WILLIAM D. PATTERSON, for the Maine Genealogical Society, Wiscasset, Me. Portland. 1895.

Within the last few years there has been a very commendable interest exhibited in the publication of early town records. Formerly the student who desired to ascertain authentic information respecting town history was obliged to spend a great deal of time in hunting up old records, many of which were inaccessible; but since the publication of so many town records, he is enabled to ascertain facts with a minimum expenditure of time. In England this work

has been carried on by experts for a much longer period than it has been in this country, but it is encouraging to see with what facility we have adopted the example set us in this respect by the mother country. When the work of publishing ancient town records is completed, the re-writing of town histories will be necessary. The Genealogical Society is showing its great usefulness in publishing this book, and the compiler is to be congratulated for his share in it. Any one who desires to know something about Lincoln County will find this volume a mine of valuable and accurate information. Besides the items recorded in the records, there is a very interesting introduction, full of historical facts, written by that veteran Maine historiographer, Rufus K. Sewall, Esq., of Wiscasset, which in itself is well worth the cost of the book. What books of this nature require to make them accessible is a careful index of names, and from a cursory perusal of that at the end of this volume, the writer has no doubt of its accuracy. As a piece of book making the volume is a credit to the Society.

By Hon. James P. Baxter, A.M., of Portland, Me.

A Century of the Senate of the United States. Prepared by WILLIAM S. APPLETON.

This list of the members of the United States senate for one hundred years was "communicated to the Massachusetts Historical Society at its meeting 14 March, 1895," and is reprinted from the Proceedings of that society. "This roll is believed," the author says, "to contain the names of all the men who sat in the Senate of the United States during its first century, with the few who never sat there, though having a perfect right to do." The list will be found very useful. It must have cost the compiler much labor.

Roll of Members of the Military Company of the Massachusetts now called the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, with a Roster of the Officers and Preachers. 1638—1894. Prepared by vote of the Company. Boston, Massachusetts, U. S. A. 1895. 8vo. pp. xi.+148.

The title shows the contents of this book. A preface gives a brief history of the company. The illustrations are a fac simile of the charter, a view of Faneuil Hall, the head-quarters of the Ancients and of the Gorget, Espanton and Halberd. It has an Index of Members.

North Haven Annals. A History of the Town from the Settlement, 1680, to its First Centennial, 1886. By SHELDON B. THORPE. New Haven, Conn.: Press of Price, Lee & Adkins Co. 1892. 8vo. pp. 422.

The work before us, the Annals of North Haven in Connecticut, is a history of an important town of that state. The author has performed his work in a manner that entitles him to much credit. The work is well printed and is embellished with a number of fine engravings, mostly portraits. President Stiles of Yale College was a native of North Haven, and his portrait is here given. Since the issue of this book the author has collected the early North Haven families and their descendants in a manuscript volume, containing several thousand names, which we hope he will give to the public in print. Meantime he will answer inquiries about those families.

History of the Town of Manchester, Essex County, Massachusetts, 1645–1895. By Rev. D. F. LAMSON. Published by the Town. 1895. 8vo. pp. xii.+260.

On the 18th of July last the town of Manchester, Massachusetts, commemorated its quarter millenary. This was a noteworthy occasion. The present volume was prepared in advance of that event and, we think, was ready for subscribers on the day of the celebration. It is an excellent work and does much credit to the author, Rev. Mr. Lamson, who has shown great care and judgment in its preparation. An account of the celebration is printed in the Appendix. The book makes an elegant volume, with engravings of historic buildings and scenes, portraits, maps, &c.

History of New London, Connecticut. From the First Survey of the Coast in 1612 to 1860. By FRANCES MANWARING CAULKINS. With a Memoir of the Author. New London: Published by H. D. Utley. 1895. 8vo. pp. xviii.+696. Price $5 in cloth, or $5.50 in buckram.

Miss Caulkins's History of New London has long been a standard work, and needs no praise from our pen. The work was first published in 1852, and only

a part of the edition was bound at that time. In 1860 the remaining sheets were bound with additional matter bringing the history down to that date. The edition was soon exhausted, and for thirty years only second-hand copies could occasionally be procured. As high a price as $25, it is said, has been refused for a copy. This edition contains a portrait and a memoir of the author, apparently that written by her half-brother, Hon. Henry P. Haven, and printed in the REGISTER, vol. 23, pp. 396–407. The book is well printed and well indexed.

The Battle of Brandywine. An Address delivered in Birmingham Meeting House before the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution, June 18, 1895. By FREDERICK D. STONE. Philadelphia. 1895. 8vo. pp. 17.

Mr. Stone, the librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, has, in his address here printed, done a good service to the cause of American history. With great care he has gathered up the details of one of the most important battles in the Revolution, and preserved the memory of those who participated in the battle.

The Oxford Academy Centennial. A Record of the Proceedings and Exercises had in honor of the One Hundredth Anniversary of that Institution, with Notes by the Editor. Held at Oxford, Chenango County, N. Y., June 28, 29, 1894. Edited by Hon. O. H. CURTIS, Oxford, N. Y. Published by the General Committee. 1895. 8vo. pp. 145.

The addresses delivered upon this occasion by Hon. O. H. Curtis, Hon. A. C. Coxe, George Bundy Esq., Rev. W. B. Thorpe, Dr. L. Coville, Mr. De Shon, and Prof. E. R. Payson, all evince careful thought and preparation, but it seems to me that those delivered by Hon. A. C. Coxe and Hon. O. H. Curtis, and the poem read by Mr. E. C. Delevan (which contains some lines of rare beauty) call for special mention. Many and important are the far-reaching results that follow such a commemoration as this. Probably the greatest good that can be derived from such occasions is the stimulus, the impetus, which they give to the cause of education. Surely after careful and thorough moral and religious teaching, no other subject can be so important as that of careful mental training. Especially is this true in a great republic like ours, whose security and perpetuity depend in large measure upon properly guided public sentiment, for each individual is in a degree responsible for the welfare of the whole body politic. And as the state is made up of the aggregate of the individuals living under its protecting care, it behooves us as a people (if we would see our nation continue to be a power for good among the nations of the earth, a power for peace and righteousness) to see to it that education is widely diffused throughout our borders. Especially should the New England spirit, the counterpart or outgrowth of the sturdy English spirit (for no two nations in the world are so essentially one as our country and the mother country), be inculcated by means of the steady and persistent teaching of American history and institutions. It is not necessary that the State should give each citizen a college education; but it is highly necessary that it should see to it that every child born in this country (or coming to it from foreign lands) should be given the elements of a general education, supplemented by some knowledge of their privileges (and duties as well) as citizens of our republic, and as deriving therefrom liberty and protection to life and property. It is probably true that reliance may be placed to-day upon the great body of our people, but when we reflect that the average immigration to our shores is now over half a million of people annually (many of whom have no knowledge of our institutions) we cannot fail to see the necessity of persistent and systematic dissemination, through our schools and press, of a knowledge of what our country stands for, namely, civil and religious liberty under the law of the land. Only thus may we preserve and hand down to coming generations these rich blessings bequeathed to us by our forefathers.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston, Mass.

Report of the State Librarian to the New Hampshire Legislature for the Period beginning October 1, 1894. Concord: Edward N. Pearson, Public Printer. 1894. 8vo. pp. 331.

The book before us is "The First Biennial Report, and the Twenty-fourth Report of the Librarian subsequent to the Act approved July 3, 1866." Mr. Kim-

ball has done a good work in preparing this volume. Besides the biennial report proper, he has added an appendix of valuable matter, namely, 1, Official Publications of New Hampshire, 1892-94; 2, New Hampshire Regimental Histories; 3, Libraries of New Hampshire, 1894; 4, Library Laws of New Hampshire; 5, Biography of Dartmouth College; 6, Bibliography of Manchester, N. H.

A Grandfather's Legacy, containing a Sketch of His Life and Obituary Notices of Some Members of His Family; together with Letters from His Friends. Washington: Henry Polkinham, Printer. 1879. 8vo. pp. 251+ix.

The Grandfather whose story is here given is the late William Wilson Corcoran, the prominent Washington banker. He was the son of Thomas Corcoran, who was born in Limerick, Ireland, in 1754, and came to Baltimore in 1783. His son, whose life and correspondence are here given, was born Dec. 27, 1798. The history of the philanthropic banker is well, though briefly, told. Most of the letters are from men who were eminent in their day, and on subjects of interest that interest our people. The book is handsomely printed and bound, and is a worthy memorial of a worthy man.

Daughters of the Revolution and Their Times. 1769—1776. A Historical Romance. By CHARLES CARLETON COFFIN. Boston and New York: Houghton, Mifflin and Company. 1895. 12mo. pp. xi.+387. Price, $1.50.

Mr. Coffin has won a high reputation as a writer of history, biography and fiction. He has here given us a story of the Revolution; and yet this "romance" has more of fact than fiction in it. "The narrative of events," says the author in his Introduction, "takes the form of a story—a slight thread of romance being employed, rather than didactic narrative, to more vividly picture the scenery and the parts performed by actors in the great historic drama. It will not be difficult for the reader to discern between the facts of history and the imaginative parts of the story." The book is illustrated by portraits and views of real personages and buildings. A map of Boston which is here given will help the reader to follow the narrative. We commend the book especially to those interested in revolutionary history.

Publications of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania. January 1895. Vol. I., No. 1. Miscellany No. 1. Philadelphia: Printed for the Society. 8vo. pp. 40.

The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania, recently organized at Philadelphia, has issued the first number of its Publications. It contains five articles, namely, The Sailing of the Ship Submission, 1682; Inscriptions on Ancient Tombstones; John Hart, Governor of Maryland; Data concerning the Taking of Wolves in 1676; and Notices of Justices of New Castle. The matter preserved is valuable, and the work does credit to those who have charge of the publication.

Corporations in the Days of the Colony. By ANDREW MCFARLAND DAVIS. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1894. 8vo. pp. 34.

The Law of Adultery and Ignominious Punishments. By ANDREW MCFARLAND DAVIS. Worcester, Mass., U. S. A.: Press of Charles Hamilton. 1895. 8vo. pp. 32.

Provincial Banks: Land and Silver. By ANDREW MCFARLAND DAVIS. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1895. 8vo. pp. 40.

The three pamphlets, whose titles are here given, are recent contributions to our Colonial and Provincial history which Mr. Davis of Cambridge has given us. Like all his monographs, they are exhaustive in their treatment of the subjects. The first and last are reprints from the Publications of the Colonial Society, and the other is reprinted from the Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society.

The Massachusetts settlers met with no little trouble in carrying on their government as a colony. One difficulty was in regard to corporations. They had no power under their charter to create corporations, while it was desirable that the several plantations should be corporations. In their dilemma they seem to have adopted this plan. They assigned to parties a particular territory, and allowed them to organize a town government for themselves. But the early

town records are so defective that it would be rash to speak positively. When this was done the Court gave the plantation a name. I think no town in the Massachusetts Colony was incorporated under the first charter. Mr. Davis, in his paper on Massachusetts Corporations, read before the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, has taken a broad survey of the subject, and given us what he finds about them. Those who wish to know about them should study Mr. Davis's tract. The only corporation the Massachusetts Colony seems to have attempted to create was Harvard College. This was in 1650, when the government of the mother country was in the hands of the friends of New England.

Mr. Davis's next paper is on "The Law of Adultery and Ignominious Punishments, with Especial Reference to the Penalty of wearing a letter affixed to the Clothing." The author treats this in his usual thorough manner.

The last paper on Provincial Banks contains a summary of what can be learned on this important subject. Much has been written about "The Land Bank," "The Silver Scheme," and other financial expedients of the eighteenth century, but no full and exhaustive history has appeared before this.

Mr. Davis deserves the gratitude of historical students for these three tracts.

Tower Genealogy. An Account of the Descendants of John Tower of Hingham, Mass. Compiled under the direction of CHARLEMAGNE TOWER, late of Philadelphia, deceased. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1891. 8vo. pp. xii.+887.

Whitney. The Descendants of John Whitney, who came from London, England, to Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1635. By FREDERICK CLIFTON PIERCE. Published by the Author. Press of W. B. Conkey Company, Chicago, Ill. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. 692. Price, $10. Address F. C. Pierce, 161 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Genealogy of the Tucker Family. From Various Authentic Sources. By EPHRAIM TUCKER. Worcester, Mass., U. S. A. 1895. 8vo. pp. 414. Price, $5 bound in cloth, or $7.50 in turkey morocco. Address E. Tucker, 58 Laurel St., Worcester, Mass.

Sargent Genealogy. Hugh Sargent of Courteen Hall, Northamptonshire, and his Descendants in England. By JOHN S. SARGENT of Chicago, Ill.
William Sargent of Malden, New England, and his Descendants in America. By AARON SARGENT of Somerville, Mass. Somerville, Mass.: Compiled and Published by Aaron Sargent. 1895. 8vo. pp. 218.

Our Family Ancestors. By THOMAS MAXWELL POTTS, Canonsburg, Pa.: Published by the Author. 1895. 8vo. pp. xiv.+428. Price, $3.50; postpaid, $3.70.

A Record of the Searight Family (also written Seawright) established in America by William Seawright. By JAMES A. SEARIGHT. Uniontown, Pa. 1893. 8vo. pp. 228.

Genealogy of the Crane Family. Vol. I. Descendants of Henry Crane of Wethersfield and Guilford, Conn., with Sketch of the Family in England. Worcester, Mass.: Press of Charles Hamilton. 1895. 8vo. pp. 201.

History and Genealogy of the Watson Family, descendants of Matthew Watson, who came to America in 1718. Compiled by Mrs. JULIA DRAPER (WATSON) BEMIS and ALONZO AMASA BEMIS, D.D.S. Spencer, Mass. 1894. 8vo. pp. 163.

Seth Reed, Lieut.-Col. Continental Army; Pioneer at Geneva, N. Y., 1781, and Erie, Penn., June 1795. His Ancestors and Descendants. By his Great Grand-Daughter, MARY HUNTER BUFORD. Boston: 1895. Sq. 8vo. pp. 166.

The Wyman Families of Great and Little Hormead, Herts County, Eng. By HORACE WYMAN. Worcester, Mass. 1893. Oblong 8vo. pp. 20.

A Chart of the Ancestors and Descendants of Rev. Robert Rose, who came to Virginia in 1725, and died 1751. Compiled by W. G. STANARD for Miss Annie Fitzhugh Rose Walker, Richmond, [Va.]: Wm. Ellis Jones, Printer. 1895.

Hersey Genealogy. Compiled by FRANCIS C. HERSEY, South Boston, Mass. 1895.

Family Record of John and Sally Hamlen of Plainfield, Mass. Arranged by FREEMAN (son of John and Sally) HAMLEN. Presented by Lavantia Ford Shaw, grand-daughter of John and Sally Hamlen, June, 1881. Boston: Frank Wood, Printer. 1881. Sq. 16mo. pp. 12.

Blanding of Upton on Severn, Worcester, England. Genealogical Chart. Compiled by H. W. ROBERTS, Boston, Mass., [and] WM. J. C. KENYON, St. Paul, Minn. 1895. 8vo. folded broadside, 16 in. by 13¼ in.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works lately received relating to family history.

The Tower Genealogy was prepared under the direction of the late Charlemagne Tower, Esq., a wealthy and enterprising citizen of Philadelphia. His attention was called to his ancestry when he was a student at Harvard College, in 1830. He was a "man of cultivated tastes, a lover of books, particularly of those relating to the history of America. He was one of the first to recognize the importance of the comparative study of American colonial law." His unrivalled collection on this subject, begun when he was about forty years old, continued till his death, to receive rare and valuable accessions. The Tower genealogy is compiled in a very satisfactory manner. It is printed in the best style of the University press, and is well indexed.

The Whitney genealogy, by Col. F. C. Pierce, is a handsome volume of nearly seven hundred pages, and contains the records of nearly ten thousand persons. It is well arranged and is illustrated by numerous portraits. Several genealogies of the descendants of John Whitney of Watertown, Mass., have appeared before, but no attempt has been previously made to prepare a complete record of his descendants. The author has had much experience in compiling local and family histories. He is the author of the Histories of Grafton and Barre, Mass., besides the Peirce and other Genealogies. "It is a very remarkable history," says a writer, "not only in point of dimension, but in the prominent part many of the members have played in the unfolding drama of our national life."

The book on the Tucker family is another valuable addition to genealogical literature. It is an octavo of over four hundred pages, printed in clear type on fine white paper. The book deals principally with the descendants of Robert Tucker, who settled at Weymouth, Mass., as early as 1635, and removed in 1662 to Milton, where he was the first town clerk. It is well calculated to interest the various members of a widely scattered family in their common ancestry. It is well arranged on the Connecticut plan, and is filled with important and valuable matter. It is well indexed, and is illustrated with numerous portraits.

The Sargent Genealogy is published by the author of the small volume on that family, which appeared in 1858, thirty-seven years ago. Since then much new matter has been discovered. Mr. John S. Sargent of Chicago has discovered the English ancestry of William Sargent of Malden, to whose posterity both books are devoted, and Mr. Aaron Sargent has made large additions to his record of the descendants of William of Malden. The first edition of this book had become extremely rare before the new edition was undertaken, and large prices were paid for it. Only a small edition is now printed, and those who want copies should apply for them early.

The book entitled "Our Ancestors" consists of sketches of the families from which the children of the author, Hon. Thomas Maxwell Potts, are descended. The book is divided into two parts. Part I. gives the Paternal Ancestors, and Part II. the Maternal Ancestors. On page 381 is an ancestral chart, on which the work is based. The families are treated of in this order, commencing at the top of the chart and following down to the bottom. We can readily believe the author when he sayshe has devoted to the work much original research. Many prominent Pennsylvania and other families are to be found in these pages. The book has a good index.

The Record of the Searight Family is an elegant volume, printed in the highest style of the art, with numerous illustrations. The stirps of this family was William Seawright, "who came from near Londonderry in the north of Ireland to Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, about the year 1740." The book contains an account of his descendants as far as could be ascertained. It preserved much interesting family history.

The Crane Genealogy is by Mr. Crane of Worcester, Mass., who prepared and published several years ago an edition of the Rawson Genealogy. He has

evidently devoted much research to the present work, which gives the descendants of Henry Crane of Wethersfield and Guilford, Conn. It is compiled with care, is well printed, and is embellished with numerous portraits. It has a good index.

The book on the Watson Family gives the descendants of Matthew Watson, who came to Boston, Mass., from Coleraine in Ireland, in the year 1718, "with his family consisting of his wife Mary Orr, to whom he was married in the year 1695, and their children." The first season he removed to Framingham. He seems later to have settled at Leicester. He was killed in 1720 by a tree falling on him. The book is well compiled. The record is well carried out and the book is well indexed.

Seth Reed: His Ancestors and Descendants, is the next book on our list. "This genealogy and the little sketch of the life of Seth Reed," the authors say, "were commenced several years ago as the result of interest roused by gathering data necessary for admission to the 'Society of Sons of the Revolution.'" The authors have produced a well written book full of interesting details.

The Wyman book contains the result of researches made in England by the author in 1889, stimulated by the discovery by Mr. Waters of the will of Francis Wyman of West Mill, Herts, the father of John and Francis Wyman, the Woburn immigrants, which will was printed in the REGISTER for April, 1889. The book is illustrated with views of buildings connected with the history of the Wyman family in England, and two maps, one of the locations of the Wymans in England, and the other of the location of the family in Woburn and Burlington, Mass. Besides the author of this book—Mr. Horace Wyman of Worcester—another descendant of the Woburn Wymans, Mr. Morrill Wyman, Jr., of Cambridge, has visited Hertfordshire and given the result of his researches in this number of the REGISTER (pp. 45–6).

The Chart of the Descendants of Rev. Robert Rose is a tabular pedigree, 27 by 32 inches, folded and enclosed in a cover. It shows much research.

The Hersey Genealogy is a broadside, 27 by 32 inches, folded into a cover. It gives a genealogical tree of the descendants of William Hersey, 1635, of Hingham, Mass. The lines seem to be fully carried out.

The Hamlen Family Record gives the record of the descendants of John and Sally (Town) Hamlen with praiseworthy fulness.

The Genealogical Chart of the Blandings gives in a tabular pedigree some of the descendants of William Blanding, who settled in Massachusetts in 1640, and also records of the Carpenter and Kenyon families.

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OLD FAMILIES OF AMESBURY AND SALISBURY.—David W. Hoyt, author of the Hoyt Family Genealogy and other genealogical papers, has collected much material for a genealogy of all the early settlers of Salisbury and Amesbury, with a few related families of Newbury and Haverhill. A complete genealogy covering this ground would include about one hundred and seventy-five different surnames. Very few of these have had any adequate genealogy published, and some of those few contain statements and dates which should be corrected. Mr. Hoyt has written out already the earlier generations of Challis, Chase, Clement, Colby, Currier, Davis, Fowler, Huntington, Martin, Morrill, Sargent, Wells, Williams, Worthen, and many others, including additions and corrections of some already printed. If sufficient encouragement is given, the book will be published. Subscriptions may be sent to David W. Hoyt, Providence, R. I., or to W. H. B. Currier, Amesbury, Mass. Price, $5.

HISTORY OF DANBURY, CT.—Mrs. Susan Benedict Hill has in preparation a history of this town, which will be published this winter or early in the spring. The work was begun by James M. Bailey (the Danbury News Man), but was left unfinished at his death in 1894. We feel confident that Mrs. Hill will make a careful and interesting book that will do honor to Danbury. It will be a volume of about 600 pages, with 150 illustrations.

GRAVES FAMILY GENEALOGY.—The first volume, containing a sketch of the family in England for 800 years, and genealogy of the family of Thomas Graves of Hartford, Conn., 1645, and of Hatfield, Mass., 1661, will be issued about the middle of January, 1896. It will be profusely illustrated with pictures of distinguished men of the English and American family, coat-of-arms and crest, views of location of first settlers at Hatfield and Sunderland, Mass., and objects of interest.

This work is being compiled by John C. Graves, member of the Buffalo Historical Society, and can be obtained from him. His address is No. 32 Board of Trade Building, Buffalo, N. Y. Subscription price, $12 for the three volumes, or $5 for each volume if ordered separately.

TITLES OF HONOR.—Under this title Hon. William Everett, LL.D., contributes to the *New England Magazine* for September last an article which we would advise all our readers to study. "No child of New England," says Dr. Everett, "can extend his reading or his observation to the history of Old England, without encountering titles and titled personages," and he proceeds in a clear and interesting manner to explain the various titles used which will prevent the use of them in an improper way. Many intelligent people often use titles of honor in a wrong sense. This article shows a thorough knowledge of a perplexing subject, and contains much curious and interesting information.

SOLDIERS OF KING PHILIP'S WAR. *By the Rev. George M. Bodge, A.M.*—The first edition of this invaluable book was exhausted soon after its publication, and copies have been sold at more than double its original price. Yielding to a growing demand, shown by applications from Libraries, Historical Societies, and especially Genealogists and those interested in the "Society of Colonial Wars" and kindred organizations, the author has decided to issue a new and enlarged edition, for subscribers. Much new material has been accumulated since the first edition was issued; and with great pains and difficult research, full lists of the grantees of the "Narragansett Townships" have been collected and will be published in this edition. These lists contain some sixteen hundred names and afford positive evidence of participation in the campaign against the Narraganset Indians, in which their great "Swamp Fort" was taken, December 19, 1675. Important additional evidence is afforded in the fact that, in nearly all

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GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of birth, marriage, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Allen.—Frank Allen Hutchinson, Esq., 187 Nesmith Street, Lowell, Mass., has in preparation Genealogical Sketches of the Allen Family of Dedham and Medfield. The book will make about 100 pages and the price will be $3.00 in cloth.

Beecher.—Mrs. Helen Beecher McGraw, 456 Russell Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, is preparing a genealogy of the Beecher Family and will be pleased to hear from any one interested in the subject.

Dickerman and Dickman.—A genealogy of the family descended from Thomas Dickerman of Dorchester, through his sons, Thomas of Malden, Abraham of New Haven, and Isaac of Boston, is now nearly ready for publication. Communications may be sent to E. D. Dickerman, 15 Lake Place, New Haven, Conn., who invites correspondence from all persons interested in the work.

Fisk and Fiske.—Fred C. Pierce, 161 Dearborn Street, Chicago, is compiling the genealogy of the descendants of the early residents of New England by the name of Fisk–Fiske. He has succeeded in tracing the family back to 1300 and has connected all the early emigrants in this country in one family. Persons by this name will confer a favor and assist him in his work by sending their names and addresses and such information as they may have of the family to him as above.

Nevens.—William Nevens, Esq., of Falmouth, Maine, has now nearly ready for publication a Genealogical Record of the Nevens or Nevins Families of New England, including those of Palmer and Gloucester, Mass., and of Pelham and Hollis, N. H. Price, $4.50.

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The REGISTER, under the management of a succession of able and learned editors, has now become a vast storehouse of historical and genealogical material, much of it to be found nowhere else—an inexhaustible mine of information concerning the early settlers of New England, their families and their descendants. No town or family history can properly be written without a search of the contents of the long series of volumes into which the REGISTER has now expanded.

But the very success of the Society in accumulating such an abundance of material renders it increasingly difficult to find anything hidden in so great a mass. An Index is imperatively necessary.

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The Society has now entered upon the publication of the 50th volume of the REGISTER, and it is desirous of printing a consolidated index to the whole fifty volumes; an index comprising subjects, places and persons, the latter arranged by Christian as well as surnames. But it is without funds available for the purpose.

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Searches into the History of the Gillman or Gilman Family, including the Various Branches in England, Ireland, America and Belgium. By ALEXANDER W. GILLMAN. Illustrated with Engravings of Coats of Arms, Portraits, Copies of Ancient Pedigrees, Monumental Inscriptions, &c., &c. London: Elliott Stock. 1895. In two volumes crown 4to. pp. 384 in the two volumes. Price $7 for sending by book post to America. The book is also issued in one volume, but in this form it is too heavy to send by mail.

A genealogy of the Family of Gilman in America was published in 1869, which contained extended references to the family in England. The investigator visited England and obtained many documents that had been preserved by Gilmans there. He made no pretensions, however, of writing a genealogy of the English family. This has not yet been done, but a noble contribution to the subject has been made by Mr. Alexander W. Gillman, grandson of that distinguished surgeon who for so many years befriended the poet Coleridge. When Mr. Gillman began to investigate is not known to us, but after he had had his interest aroused he discovered that another member of the family then living in Ireland had already made extensive researches among ancient records, and he discovered also the American book. These discoveries, Mr. Gillman says, stimulated him to carry on his investigations as thoroughly as possible. The result is an elegant small quarto, luxuriously printed and amply illustrated, and inscribed to President Daniel Coit Gilman, of Johns Hopkins University.

Mr. Gillman properly calls his work "Searches" into the history of the family of Gillman or Gilman. He has not prepared a consecutive genealogical record, but rather a series of chapters which treat the subject in many different phases. The opening chapter is upon the spelling of the name. It constitutes an interesting historical study of orthography. The second chapter is on the Welsh origin of the family, taking as text a statement made by Mr. Arthur Gilman, in his American genealogy, and proving its truth. Mr. Gillman carries the Welsh

pedigree very far back into remote antiquity by taking advantage of the work done by order of Henry VII., in tracing his descent through Owen Tudor, Coel Godeboc, and the mother of the Emperor Constantine the Great, to Brutus of Troy through a hundred generations, sixty-eight of which are acknowledged to be "mythical." However, as the historical record runs as far as the year 300 A.D., the antiquity of the family may be considered established.

In his third chapter, Mr. Gillman takes up the family in the vicinity of London in the reign of Henry VIII., and his daughters Mary and Elizabeth. This chapter, like others, is well illustrated with fac-similes of coats of arms and monumental inscriptions. The author has been indefatigable in following up clews and in copying records, thus accumulating a storehouse of facts which will doubtless lead to further discoveries. Succeeding chapters show the family in Surrey, in Ireland, in Hertfordshire and Essex, in Bristol, Gloucestershire, and Kent. Here is a chapter on the Gilmans in Norfolk, who are the ancestors of the Americans, or of most of them, who are more fully represented in another chapter, made up of copious extracts from Mr. Arthur Gilman's book, of 1869.

Chapter ten is devoted to "The Gillmans of Highgate," the writer's own line, and, as might have been anticipated, it gives many particulars in regard to the life of Coleridge when under the hospitable roof of Dr. Gillman, a term of residence covering nineteen years, and ending only with the poet's death. This chapter is also separately printed, and has already been extensively commented upon as giving new light on the sometimes distorted record. Dr. Gillman is set before us as a most disinterested as well as hospitable man, and the account of these years will possess great interest to all readers of Coleridge. The chapter is illustrated with views of the house and portraits of the poet as well as of Dr. and Mrs. Gillman and other members of the family.

The Gilmans of China and of Belgium have separate chapters assigned to them, and it sounds strange to read of "Baron de Gilman" in the latter land. The volume contains an ample table of contents and full indexes. The list of illustrations covers two pages and more, and it must be said that the portraits and views are real additions to the interest of the book. The members of the family on both sides of the ocean are to be congratulated that filial piety and a good bank account have been found in the same person, for without either of these qualifications the searches into the past of the house of Gillman and Gilman could not have been successfully conducted upon such a liberal scale, nor with such long-continued interest.

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The Bibliography of the State of Maine, from the Earliest Period to 1891. By JOSEPH WILLIAMSON. In Two Volumes. Portland: The Thurston Print. 1896. 8vo. Vol. I. pp. viii.+738. Vol. II. pp. 669. Price $7.00 for the two volumes. Address, The Maine Historical Society, Portland, Maine.

This work has been compiled under the auspices of the Maine Historical Society, and is published by that society. It is well known that Judge Williamson has been engaged many years in preparing the work, and has been unsparing in the time and labor which he has bestowed on it. Each book has, when practicable, been examined by the compiler and the titles copied and other memoranda taken by him. There are probably omissions, for it would be strange if there were not, but it has not been for lack of persistent effort to make the bibliography complete under his plan.

"With certain exceptions," Judge Williamson states in his Preface, "its purpose is to give the full title of every book, pamphlet and reputable magazine article at any time printed in or having reference to Maine, and also all of which the authors were at the time of writing or publishing residents within the State. The exceptions are chiefly public, municipal and legal reports, and pamphlets which relate to organizations not of an historical, literary, charitable or religious character. Although many of the best literary productions of the State are to be found only in its newspapers, no attempt to enumerate them has been made with the exception of such as have been preserved in other form. The plan also excludes the writings of native authors printed or published after they had ceased to be residents, unless these have some special relation to Maine."

The work, as we stated in July, 1894 (REGISTER, Vol. 48, p. 248), when we announced that the work was drawing near its completion, embraces "about ten thousand titles and the names of over 2500 authors, with brief notices. It contains numerous notes and cross references; the whole constituting a complete key to the biography, history and literature of the State." A glance through the pages of this work shows that Maine has a goodly host of authors, past and present, among whom are many who have won a high place in the literature of the country. The people of that state owe a debt of gratitude to Judge Williamson for collecting the titles of the works of her writers and for the admirable manner in which he has performed his task.

Only a few State Bibliographies have been undertaken, and none have approached this in completeness. The labor of such an undertaking would appal most men. But to Judge Williamson it was a labor of love, and he has persevered and brought his work to a successful conclusion. May he live many years to enjoy his labors and to do other historical work. His History of Belfast, Maine, published nearly twenty years ago, and noticed in the REGISTER for October, 1877, is a model for a local history. .

Contributions to the History of Christ Church, Hartford. I. Commemorative Sermon. By Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D.D., LL.D. *II. Annals of the Parish.* By CHARLES J. HOADLY, LL.D. *III. Reports on the Funds of the Parish. IV. Abstract of principal Votes, with comments and additions.* By GURDON W. RUSSELL, M.D. *V. List of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, from 1801 to 1895.* Hartford: Belknap & Warfield. 1895. 8vo., pp. 787. Illustrated. Price, $4.00.

The parish of Christ Church, Hartford, is fortunate in having two such parishioners as Dr. Charles J. Hoadly, the learned Librarian of the State of Connecticut, and Dr. Gurdon W. Russell, the "beloved physician" of Hartford, both experts in local civil and ecclesiastical annals; and another parishioner such as "the gentleman by whose generosity and interest" the publication of the sumptuous volume before us has been made possible. Dr. Hoadly's "Annals of the Episcopal Church in Hartford to the year 1829," the date of the consecration of the present church building, were prepared for the semi-centennial anniversary in 1879; they include most valuable information as to persons and events connected with the first attempts to organize an Episcopal society and build a church in Hartford in 1762, and the organization of the present parish in 1786, and its history for forty-three years. Dr. Russell's "Abstract of principal Votes" covers over three hundred and twenty pages, and is in the literal sense the annals of the parish from its organization, the important acts of parish and vestry meetings being given under each year, with many papers in full and, what is of especial value, antiquarian, historical, and genealogical notices in abundance. No event of any importance passes without full consideration, and no prominent member of the parish or the congregation is mentioned without some account of his family, his position in the community, and his character. Thus we have not only notices of the rectors, and they include such men as Bishops Philander Chase, J. M. Wainwright, T. C. Brownell, George Burgess, T. M. Clark and W. F. Nichols, but also sketches of such men as Charles Sigourney, James Ward, William H. Imlay, Nathan Morgan, Cyprian Nichols, George Beach, Samuel Tudor, Isaac Toucey, James Goodwin, Ebenezer Flower, Charles H. Northam and Junius S. Morgan, and the famous organist Henry Wilson. The volume is thus made a mine of information for future investigators, as well as a model for future annalists; while it may be added that this proof of the value of full records may be an encouragement to some weary clerks of parishes and vestries. The "Report on the Funds of the Parish," due to Dr. Russell's painstaking labors, is of general interest chiefly (one regrets to say) as a warning to administrators of trusts.

To genealogists the most valuable part of the volume is the full transcript, covering nearly two hundred pages, of the register of baptisms, marriages and burials; that of the baptisms and marriages beginning in 1801, and that of the burials in 1812. Fortunately they have been carefully kept and entered; yet additions and corrections of some importance have been made in the burials register. The number of names included is very large, and any one looking into the pedigree of families which have belonged in Hartford during the present century can hardly fail to find here something that he needs.

It may be added that, besides fac-similes and views, the volume contains beautifully executed reproductions of portraits of the fifteen rectors, pains having been taken to represent them as they were at the time of their rectorships, and also of Dr. Russell and Mr. Wilson.

By Prof. Samuel Hart, D.D., of Hartford, Conn.

Suffolk Manorial Families, being the County Visitations and other Pedigrees. Edited with Extensive Additions by JOSEPH JAMES MUSKETT, Corresponding Member of the Historic Genealogical Society of New England. Privately Printed. Exeter: William Pollard & Co., Printers. 1896. Royal 4to. Vol. I. Part 6. Price 5 shillings. The edition is restricted to 250 copies. Communications should be addressed to the editor, care of J. Muskett Yetts, Esq., 50 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, England.

Another Part of the Suffolk Manorial Families is before us. The editor expresses his desire "to make this work an exhaustive *resumé* of the Genealogy of the Shire," and the numbers that have thus far been issued show that his desire has a prospect of being fulfilled.

The Part before us contains the Suffolk Goodwins. Sections are devoted 1st to Goodwin of Blaxhall; 2d, Goodwin of Bocking; 3d, Goodwin of Bull's Hall; 4th, Goodwin of East Bergholt; 5th, Goodwin of Framlingham; 6th, Goodwin of Hartford, Connecticut; 7th, Goodwin of Marlesford; 8th, Goodwin of Stoaham Parva; 9th, Goodwin of Torrington, and 10th, Goodwin of Yoxford.

The plan of the work is to give under each section abstracts of wills of persons of the family to which the section is devoted and close with one or more tabular pedigrees. The portion devoted to the Goodwins of Hartford, Connecticut, will particularly interest our New England people, though other portions have a value to them. Six years ago James Junius Goodwin, Esq., of Hartford, published a bulky volume (see REGISTER, vol. xlv., p. 171) devoted to the descendants of William and Ozias Goodwin, to which was prefixed "The Goodwins of East Anglia," by Rev. Augustus Jessopp, D.D., and a "Report on English Investigations," by Henry F. Waters, A.M. The latter article contained the result of his researches concerning the Goodwins of England up to that date. The readers of the REGISTER are aware that he is still adding to his Gleanings on that family.

Mr. Muskett says: "The paternity of William Goodwin, the New England emigrant of 1632, has not as yet been definitely ascertained; but it is probable that he came from Braintree or Bocking, which together form one long street in the county of Essex. He was one of the so-called 'Braintree Company' which Mr. Hooker followed to the western world. Men from Braintree were amongst his fellow voyagers. His brother Ozias Goodwin had married a Braintree woman. A William Goodwin of Bocking, who may well have been himself, was son-in-law to Robert White of Messing."

We trust that Mr. Muskett will receive many additions to his subscription list.

Popular County Histories. The History of Suffolk. By Rev. JOHN JAMES RAVEN, D.D., F.S.A. London: Elliott Stock. 1895. 8vo. pp. viii.+287. Price 5s. 8d.

Many of the settlers of New England came from the County of Suffolk in the mother country. Their descendants naturally take a particular interest in the history of this county. The book before us, by Canon Raven, gives a good synopsis of this. The matter is arranged chronologically rather than topically. "The changes in the social condition of the inhabitants of Suffolk have not been overlooked, and much light has been thrown upon the subject by extracts from diaries and letters which could not be gained by any other means."

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periods and reigns to the present time. The last chapter is on Ethnology, Surnames, Dialect and Folk Lore.

Dr. Raven has given us an impartial summary of the important events that have happened in Suffolk. His book, as will be seen, is not a mere chronology, but is enlivened by interesting details giving us a picture of the men and times of other days.

Beneath Old Roof Trees. By ABRAM ENGLISH BROWN. Boston: Lee & Shepard. 1896. 12mo. pp. xiii.+343. Price $1.50.

The towns from which flowed the currents of energy that, concentrating at Lexington and Concord, culminated in the Fight of the first day of the Revolution,—it is these towns whose fast-fading memories of their heroic period Mr. Brown has so industriously gleaned, and on the pages of his very entertaining book has reproduced in the form of story, picture and verse. He makes those actions which, as apprehended in our school-days, seemed half-mythical, appear as events of yesterday, while the actors who, haloed by our reverence, were to our imaginations a race unallied to common flesh and blood, become as the friends with whom we have talked by the fireside, and whom we have accompanied to their daily labor.

The impression left by the perusal of the enticing chapters,—which no one lacking leisure should glance at, as he would never cease to regret his inability to finish them,—is one that can best be described by saying that, upon closing the volume, one is henceforth undoubtingly aware that the authors of the Revolution were the very men whom he has known from infancy. Thomas Ditson, whose tar-and-feathers burst into a flame that overran New England; Capt. John Parker, who, enfeebled with disease that in a few months was to bring him to his death-bed, was at the head of the minute-men of Lexington; John Tidd, who was wounded by a British cutlass, but who nevertheless lived many years afterward; Ebenezer Monroe, who was the first to discover, by his wounded arm, that the enemy were using something deadlier than powder; Joshua Simonds, whom the "Right about, march!" of a red-coat officer alone deterred, as he stood with his gun placed on an open cask of powder, from blowing to atoms the regulars, his comrade, and himself, together with the church which was the arsenal of the town; Capt. Isaac Davis, whose owl foreboded the death which he met at Concord bridge; these and all the others into whose faces we seem to gaze as we read, are personalities whom we have all beheld reclothed with flesh, and with whom we have been intimate for many a year.

The book is, in brief, a recapitulation of the actions performed April 19, 1775, on what the author felicitously calls "the battlefield of Middlesex." The quotas furnished by the several towns of the county, the dramatic incidents which each town now regards as the richest embellishments of its history, homesteads and inns, features of landscape, sketches of the annals of prominent patriotic families,—such details as these, together with an introductory chapter on "Some of the General Facts of the opening Revolution," and one devoted to Gen. Artemas Ward, constitute the principal contents of the work.

The illustrations, both from the subjects selected and the style of execution, are exceptionally fine, completing the attractions of a production which, as one of a prospective series, will surely prepare a welcome for those that are to follow.

By Frederick W. Parke, of Boston.

Memorial Sketches and History of the Class of 1853, Dartmouth College. By MOSES T. RUNNELS, Class Secretary. Newport, N. H.: Barton & Wheeler. 1895. 8vo. pp. 320.

Literature of this kind is of great intrinsic value, for the life-work of every college class forms an important part of the history of the country. The Dartmouth class of '53 is no exception to this rule. Numbering only 50, of whom 29 survive, its influence has been felt in all lines of public life. Ten served in defence of their country. Two have been college presidents, and Prof. Young, now of Princeton, has achieved a world-wide reputation in the field of astronomical research. This class is specially fortunate in having for its secretary one who is admirably fitted, by his historical and literary tastes and experience, for the work which he has here accomplished. This book is among the best, if not *the* best of its kind. In completeness, impartiality, and literary

finish, it leaves nothing to be desired. Its nineteen portraits with other illustrations add greatly to its value. Every Dartmouth man, not to say every college graduate, should deem his library incomplete without it.

By Rev. Silvanus Hayward, of Globe Village, Mass.

Centenary of Columbian Lodge A. F. and A. M., Boston, Mass., 1795—June, 1895. Boston: Published by order of the Lodge. 1895. 8vo., pp. 254.

Beside the orations, poems, toasts and speeches, appropriate to the event, this beautiful volume is replete with historical matter. Not only the masonic happenings of the century, but also many public occasions, are herein noted with a fidelity and accuracy obtainable only by careful research. The book is a handsome specimen of the printer's art of to-day, and is embellished with cuts of a portrait of Paul Revere, who, as Grand Master, signed the charter of the Lodge; of many of the officers and prominent brothers; of views of various halls, wherein the lodge has held meetings for a hundred years—Concert Hall 1796, Masons' Hall 1806, Exchange Coffee House 1817, Old State House 1821, First Masonic Temple 1832, Winthrop House 1859, Thorndike Hall 1864, Second Masonic Temple 1867-95, and interior views of the lodge room, Sutton hall, and the members' room, in the last mentioned edifice. Other illustrations are of the Green Dragon Tavern, the Centennial medal, the Banner Emblem, and the Seal of Columbian Lodge. Appropriate foot notes give admirable sketches of the personal careers of many deceased members, and thus add a large value to the book, which concludes with a list of the officers and members on the day of the Centenary. Copious indices are provided.

The contentment and pride, with which such an elegant book must be regarded by the members of this ancient fraternity, will be matched in the gratification with which every good citizen will recognize the abundant evidence of the harmony with which this lodge was instituted, which it has cherished throughout its history, and which it maintains and exhibits as it enters upon the second century of an honorable career. "*Semper Ubique.*"

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Life and Speeches of Thomas Corwin, Orator, Lawyer and Statesman. Edited by JOSIAH MORROW. Cincinnati: W. H. Anderson & Co. 1896. 8vo. pp. 477+10.

In this work the editor, Mr. Josiah Morrow, has given an appreciative and yet critical estimate of the life and speeches of Thomas Corwin, one of our greatest American statesmen. His early struggles and privations (like those of Lincoln and many others of his time) served to develope and strengthen his sturdy qualities of American manhood. He had not the advantage of an early education, but he had good native ability, and was a keen student of human nature, a more important study than that of books merely; he however supplemented his lack of early training by a wide range of reading in English history and in the English classics, both prose and poetry. Like Webster, he was a great student of the Bible, and drew his inspiration largely from this the greatest source of learning. In one of his speeches he pays the following glowing tribute to the descendants of the Puritans: "They are an industrious, thriving, pains-taking race of men. The frailties of these men grow out of their very virtues, those stern virtues which founded liberty in England, and baptized it in their own blood upon Bunker Hill, in America. They will do so again if there is a necessity for it. It is a hard matter to deal with men who do verily believe that God Almighty and His angels encamp round about them. * * * In the hour of battle they seem to themselves to stand, like the great Hebrew leader, in the cleft of the rock; the glory of the most high God passes by them, and they catch a gleam of its brightness. If you come in conflict with the purposes of such men, they will regard duty as everything, life as nothing." But his remarkable speech against the unjust Mexican War is (of all his speeches which have been preserved) the greatest effort of his genius, the crowning work of his life. It is from the beginning to the end a terrible arraignment of the administration. The righteous indignation of the orator is thoroughly aroused, and he displays a power of invective, hardly equalled by John Randolph himself. Yet even this triumph of oratory is said to have been surpassed by an unreported speech delivered at his home in Lebanon, Ohio, in defence of his course in the United States senate during the Mexican War.

Taken altogether, his speeches form a lucid and powerful commentary on many vital questions of constitutional law. Perhaps Corwin stood next to Webster and Marshall in their marvellous grasp and interpretation of this great branch of our law. It is interesting to observe, in these days of wild and absurd financial and free trade theories, that Corwin was an uncompromising advocate for a currency with a gold basis, and for a protective tariff. He never forgot that he was an American, and he never forgot the duty he owed as a citizen to the great American commonwealth. A copy of his splendid speech in which he lays much stress not only on the duty of each citizen to vote intelligently but also to take an active interest in politics, ought to be in the hands of every voter in the land. Perhaps the most striking features of his speeches are the notes of patriotism and religion which ring clear and true through them all. He firmly believed in and asserted our inalienable American heritage of freedom of thought and speech, of civil and religious liberty under the law of the land.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

County Records of the Surnames of Francus, Franceis, French. By A. D. WELD FRENCH, author of "Index Armorial," "Frenches of Scotland;" Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, Member of the Scottish History Society, and of the Committee on Heraldry of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society.

This volume is an illustration of what a person of erudition can find among the ancient English archives, in looking up the records of surnames. It is introduced by a scholarly preface on the cognomens mentioned on the title, to which is added the first great charter of liberties of the Anglo-Norman period of English history. The body of the volume is arranged alphabetically under the headings of the different counties. The first records in each county are general, to which succeed the sub-divisions of the hundreds, all of which are in chronological order. Besides the continuous documentary evidences of the surnames of Francus, Franceis, and French, there are many records of other surnames, and even in some cases their pedigrees, while the historical value of some of the translations cannot help being recognized as interesting additions to what is known as the ancient English laws, as well as its feudal customs. The index is arranged in such a way as to be particularly pleasing to the antiquary and genealogist.

As copies of the previous privately printed works of this author were presented to the leading libraries, we naturally infer he will pursue the same course with this volume.

By Charles E. Hurd, of Boston.

The Literature of Witchcraft in New England. By JUSTIN WINSOR. Worcester, Mass.: Printed by Charles Hamilton, 311 Main Street. 1896. 8vo. pp. 25.

The New England Indians: A Bibliographical Survey, 1630-1700. By JUSTIN WINSOR. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1895. 8vo. pp. 35.

Dr. Justin Winsor, Librarian of Harvard University, renders valuable service by two papers upon literature relative to Witchcraft and the Indians of New England. These two monographs—both reprints, the first from the Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, and the other from the Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society—probe the subjects, and he who would pursue them will be aided by having them at hand. The paper upon Witchcraft concerns its leading literature, while the bibliography upon the Indians is limited to 1630-1700.

By Rev. Anson Titus, of Somerville, Mass.

Genealogical Queries and Memoranda. A Quarterly Magazine devoted to Genealogy, Family History, Heraldry and Topography. Edited by GEORGE F. TUDOR SHERWOOD. Vol. I. No. 1. London, May, 1896. 8vo. pp. 8. Price one shilling per number, three shillings and six pence per annum. Address all communications to the editor at 99 Angell Road, Brixton, London, S. W. Postal Orders payable at 304 Brixton Road.

The greater part of this magazine is made up of genealogical queries, notes and references, arranged in alphabetical order. A query occupies usually but two or three lines, and the information wanted is indicated by italics. By this arrangement the editor is able to get a great many wants into a few pages.

If this periodical receives the support that it deserves, it cannot fail to be very useful to American genealogists who are searching for English ancestry.
By Wm. Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge, Mass.

History of the Town of Springfield, Vermont, with a Genealogical Record. By C. HORACE HUBBARD and JUSTUS DARTT. 1752-1895. Boston: Geo. H. Walker & Co., 160 Tremont St. 1895. O. pp. xi+618. Price $2.50; by mail, $2.80.

A long delayed and increasingly arduous task reaches its accomplishment in the publication of this comely volume. It is the record of a sturdy, independent, enterprising and most remarkably inventive people,—a record which, although regarded by its authors as irreparably defective in consequence of a procrastination that forfeited the contributions of memory and tradition from those personally acquainted with the early days of the town, is nevertheless so variedly copious as to embrace in its contents such articles as Mrs. Louisa Griswold Field's "North Springfield,"—a delightful reminiscential talk such as every person with mind similarly stored ought to be induced to indulge in—and the Genealogical Record of three hundred and nineteen pages, with its biographical details, portraits and autographs.

The history of the town from 1752 to the present time is distributed throughout the chapters on the settlements, churches, societies, manufactures, departments of business, and on Springfield's share in the War of the Rebellion.

Hardly any other place of its population has produced so many inventors of essentially Yankee ability as the town at the head of whose list of mechanical geniuses stands the name of John Davidson, the maker of a vibrating machine for shearing cloth, the superiority of which over any similar contrivance of his day was immediately recognized. The catalogue of inventions,—circumventions, as they might be called, of labor and time,—which three or four pages only are required to exhibit, is indubitably the weightiest portion of the book, presenting Springfield as a benefactor of the peculiarly American stamp, that is to say, as the originator of benefits which, while of incalculably wide operation, concentrate also very agreeably calculable results on their author. To trace the spring clothes-pin to Springfield and to David M. Smith is like discovering a home and friends where one had expected to find only closed doors and strangers. The interminable procession of toy carts, and doll carriages,—with jointed dolls capable of adjusting themselves to a seat,—first issued from the streets of the same centre of inventive power.

The typographical aspect of the book is attractive. The portraits, if as excellent as likenesses as the greater part of them are as illustrations, must be very gratifying to the originals and their friends.

The appendix, consisting of documents relating to the earliest years of the town, is the section of the greatest historical importance incorporated in the work, the records of town meetings abounding in items of engrossing interest.
By Frederick W. Parke, of Boston, Mass.

"*Pennsylvania Dutch*" *and other Essays.* By PHEBE EARLE GIBBONS, author of "French and Belgians." Third Edition, revised and enlarged. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1882. 12mo. pp. 427.

In this volume, intended to afford a description of the majority of the Pennsylvania Germans, although not of all, and in the publication of which Miss Gibbons has had the assistance of ministers, lawyers, physicians, editors, bankers, merchants and teachers of Pennsylvania German stock, are found chapters of unusual interest on such topics as the Schwenkfelders, Ephrata and the Swiss Exiles, while the other subjects, if producing a less immediate impression on the reader, because popularized by frequent treatment, are nevertheless very ably handled.

The article which gives the title to the book, and which appeared in the *Atlantic Monthly* of October, 1869, contains the observations of a twenty-years' residence among the people described, and supplies therefore reliable exact details respecting their religion, language, politics, festivals, and manners and customs. Its piquantly curious particulars relating to the dialect of the Pennsylvania German region are continued in an appendix of forty-six varied pages, a section of the book which to the lover of the humerous is, perhaps, the most attractive of all.

The "miners of Scranton" is a chapter which, owing to its sympathetic and intelligent account of the Irish and Welsh miners,—these constituting the majority of the laborers,—may be considered a most valuable contribution to the literature of our age,—the age of labor problems,—which the author has included in her collection.

The chapters entitled "Irish Farmers" and "English" are of allied import to the above, forming the concluding portion of a work which one would not properly designate as entertaining in a specially applicable sense, being of too serious a design to invite such an epithet, but which nevertheless offers, in its very readibly presented facts, the entertainment which many a lighter production fails to impart.

By Frederick W. Parke, of Boston.

Bibliography of the Historical Publications issued by the New England States. By APPLETON PRENTISS CLARK GRIFFIN. Reprinted from the Publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. Vol. III. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1895. 8vo. pp. 47. Price $1.00.

The first eleven pages of this work contain an excellent historical account of the printed archives of the thirteen original States and Canada. Following this sketch there is a minute analysis of the published records of the several New England States.

Mr. Griffin's explanation of the duplicate records found in volume three of Shurtleff's Massachusetts Records is interesting.

The pamphlet will be useful to the students of early American history, and is worthy of a place in every historical library.

By Wm. Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge.

Early Long Island. A Colonial Story. By MARTHA BOCKEE FLINT. G. P. Putnam's Sons. New York. 1896. 12mo. ix.+549 pp. 8vo. Price $3.50.

The quickened interest in local history, of which marked signs have been observed in the last few years, has hardly borne better fruit than the attractive volume before us. The writer has forborn to advance any theories, but has allowed the records to tell their own story. The manuscript and printed sources have apparently been examined with industry and faithfulness. The work has much to enlist the interest of the New Englander, particularly in the accounts of the "Stamford emigration"; Sir Lyon Gardiner; Lady Deborah Moody, who found a refuge at Gravesend, after her unhappy experience at Salem with the ecclesiastics; and of the Connecticut towns. The bibliographical references might have been fuller, with advantage. The "Journal of a Voyage to New York, in 1679-80, by Joseph Dankers," and forming Vol. I. of the Memoirs of the Long Island Historical Society, is too briefly mentioned in the "List of Books consulted," as Dankers and Sluyter's Visit to New York, 1679–1680. It would have been worth while to state that the "Commodities of the island called Manati" was printed by Dr. J. G. Shea in 1865; and not only accessible in "Earl Strafford's Letters and Despatches"; and in the extracts printed in the present work. Furthermore the edition of Strafford before us does not appear to contain the pamphlet. The chapter on "names" is a serviceable contribution to a study of geographical terminology.

By Appleton P. C. Griffin, of Boston.

History, Charter and By-Laws of the Society of Colonial Wars of the State of Illinois. List of Officers and Members. Together with a Record of the Service performed by their Ancestors in the Wars of the Colonies. Publication No. 2. Chicago. 1896. 8vo. pp. 170.

The elegant year book of the Illinois branch of the Society of Colonial Wars is the second volume issued by that society. It was compiled by the secretary, Seymour Morris, Esq., of Chicago, a member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society. He has shown ability and taste in bringing out the volume. The charter of the society is printed first. Then follow the members with their ancestors, whose colonial service entitles them to membership, the line of their descent from them being carefully given, also a portrait of each member. The arrangement of the members is alphabetical. Other illustrations of a superior character are given. An appendix is devoted to the ancestors of members, with their military record. The members of the society

whose right to membership is derived from each colonial ancestor is given under the several ancestors' names.

This society and the other patriotic societies are doing praiseworthy work in gathering and preserving in print a record of our colonial worthies.

Society of Mayflower Descendants. First Year Book. New York. 1896. Fcp. 4to. pp. 127.

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the city of New York was incorporated December 5, 1895. The volume before us has a list of the passengers in the Mayflower; the compact signed November 11, O. S., 21 N. S., 1620, with the names of the signers; the Certificate of Incorporation, the constitution and the by-laws of the society; the addresses of Henry E. Howland, governor of this society; Frederick De Peyster, governor general of the Society of Colonial Wars; Frederic H. Betts; Charles C. Beaman, vice-president of the New England Society; William H. McElroy; and Arthur Lord, president of the Pilgrim Society, at the first annual meeting of the society in November, 1895. The volume closes with a list of the members of the society and another of their ancestors. The book is handsomely printed and rubricated. It is embellished with the flag of the Society in colors, and many other fine illustrations.

Sixth Report on the Custody and Condition of Public Records of the Parishes, Towns and Counties. By ROBERT T. SWAN, Commissioner. Boston: Wright & Potter Printing Co., State Printers. 1894. 8vo. pp. 67. *Seventh Report*, &c. 1895. 8vo. pp. 39. *Eighth Report*, &c. 1896. 8vo. pp. 42.

The first Report on the Custody and Condition of the Town Records of Massachusetts was issued by the State of Massachusetts in 1889, and was fully noticed in the REGISTER for July, 1889. Our readers are referred to that number for the plan and scope of the inquiries made by the commission. Later Reports have been noticed by us as they appeared.

We have now before us the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Reports of Mr. Swan, the commissioner. These reports contain much information about the condition of the Massachusetts town and parish records and valuable suggestions for the improvement and preservation of the records. Among Mr. Swan's suggestions is a Public Record Office for the State. If such an office is not established, he recommends, "where records are in a bad condition, to bring them up to the condition required by the statutes at the expense of the State. * * * Should the State bear the expense of putting the records in proper condition and of providing safe receptacles for them, the towns would feel that they could afford to pay more for their care than they do now."

Other valuable suggestions are made by the commissioner.

The Lower Norfolk County Virginia Antiquary. Edited by EDWARD W. JAMES. Richmond, Va. Parts 2 and 3. Price 50 cts. a part. No more than 350 copies will be printed of any number. For sale by George M. West, 909 E. Main street, and J. W. Randolph Co., 1304 E. Main street, Richmond, Va.

In our number for October, 1895, we noticed the first part of this periodical. The work is published at irregular intervals, and each part contains about forty pages. We have now before us two more parts. The second part was issued in October, 1895, and the third in May of this year. Like the first part of this work, these two numbers contain a large amount of documentary and other matter illustrating the history of the Lower Norfolk County, Virginia. It promises to be a valuable repository of historic material, and we hope it will have a liberal patronage.

An Historical Sketch of Bradford in the Revolution (including East Bradford, now Groveland). By LOUIS A. WOODBURY, M.D. Groveland, Mass., 1895. Sq. 16mo., pp. viii. + 113.

Dr. Woodbury has done a good service for his townsmen by collecting and preserving in print a record of the part taken by citizens of Bradford and Groveland in the revolutionary struggle. The sketch was begun as a serial in the *Valley Visitor*, a monthly paper published in Groveland, but as that paper was discontinued before the series was completed, the work, revised and continued, has been published in this neat little volume. It will be of great use to those who wish to join the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution, and whose revolutionary ancestors resided within the limits of Ancient Bradford. The volume is illustrated with fine engravings.

Gravestone Records from the Ancient Cemeteries in the town of Claremont, New Hampshire. With Historical and Biographical Notes. Compiled by CHARLES B. SPOFFORD. Claremont: George J. Putnam. 1896. 8vo. pp. 88. Edition 300 copies. Price $1. Address the compiler, Claremont, N. H.

The elements are fast effacing the inscriptions from the stones in the two old burial grounds in Claremont, and in 1892 Mr. Spofford carefully copied them and has printed them in this book. The total number of names is said to be nearly 1600.

Mr. Spofford has performed a meritorious work in rescuing these inscriptions from oblivion. His notes add much to the value of his book.

Pedigree Building.—[Wilkes-Barre. 1896.] 12mo. pp. 4.

This pamphlet is reprinted from the *Wilkes-Barre Record* of January 11, 1896. It is a paper read before the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society by Dr. William H. Egle, librarian of the State of Pennsylvania. In it Dr. Egle shows the benefits, the difficulties and the perils of pedigree building. We extract from the paper the following paragraphs:

"There may be some who sneer at pedigree building; but there is a wide difference between the laudable work of gathering up and preserving the record of your family and the hunting for fortunes or the snobbish efforts of establishing one's self as an American of royal descent. You see there are two classes of pedigree hunters which disgust, one hunting for fortunes, the other for blood royal. It is wonderful to what lengths these people go. It is their dream by night and their theme by day. True blood is better than to be a descendant of a royal house through a morganatic alliance. 'Tafelfaehig' is the pride of the German, and purity of lineage outranks the titles which a sovereign may confer.

"That class of people who are worthy of emulation, deserving of unstinted praise, are those who, with the pious motive of preserving the record of their ancestors, gather up the precious threads of genealogical woof they may find scattered here and there and without inordinate vanity weave them into a continuous story of family history, honorable in the beginning, in the patriotism of a long line of God-fearing and estimable men and women. They seek not descent from a debauched monarch or an inheritance to a mythical fortune. They are to be honored for what they have done and to be admired for their loving and patriotic work which will live long among family annals, free from the self-aggrandisement of royal descent and the taint of cupidity, when these shall have been discarded and ignored by their former devotees."

The Parish Registers of Wellow in the County of Nottingham. Edited by GEORGE W. MARSHALL, LL.D. Privately printed. Exeter: William Pollard & Co. 1896. 8vo, pp. iv+41.

The work before us adds another to the many Registers of English Parishes that are now in print. The editors of these works are doing a great service, particularly to genealogists, by preserving and making accessible these important records which are so liable to destruction. The present work, the Registers of the parish of Wellow in Nottinghamshire, which Dr. Marshall, of the Heralds College, has edited and has had privately printed in so handsome a manner, shows a laudable desire to help his brethren in their genealogical researches. The Registers extend from 1704 to 1812. The work has a good index.

The Ancestry of John Whitney who, with his wife Elinor, and sons John, Richard, Nathaniel, Thomas and Jonathan, emigrated from London, England, in the Year 1635 and settled in Watertown, Massachusetts; the first of the Name in America, and the one from whom a great majority of the Whitneys now living in the United States are descended. By HENRY MELVILLE, A.M., LL.B., of the City of New York. New York: Printed at the De Vinne Press. 1896. Super royal 8vo. pp. xviii.+295. Bound in vellum. Price $20.00 net. Address the author, 120 Broadway, New York city. Sold also by William B. Clarke & Co., 340 Washington St., Boston, Mass.

The Follett-Dewey Fassett-Safford Ancestry of Capt. Martin Dewey Follett and his wife Persis Fassett. By HARRY PARKER WARD. Anno Domini 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 281. Price $4, or by mail $4.25. Address Major Harry Parker Ward, Columbus, Ohio.

Genealogy of the Jaquett Family. By EDWIN JAQUETT SELLERS. Philadelphia. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 190. Address the Author, 229 South 6th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Williamson and Cobb Families in the Lines of Caleb and Mary (Cobb) Williamson of Barnstable, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., 1896. Compiled by FRANK FARNSWORTH STARR for JAMES J. GOODWIN. Hartford, Conn. 1896. Super royal 8vo. pp. 66.

Genealogical and Historical Sketches of the Allen Family of Dedham and Medfield, Mass. Compiled by FRANK ALLEN HUTCHINSON. Privately Printed. Lowell, Mass. 1896. 8vo. pp. 80. Edition 100 copies. Price $1.

Family Register of Richard Paul, born in England and emigrated to America during the early part of 1635; also his descendants as far as ascertained. Traced by Dea. LUTHER PAUL, of Newton, Mass., FULTON PAUL of Hudson, N. Y., and MARTHA C. CRANE, of Dedham, Mass. Oblong 4to, 10 by 13 inches.

Statue of Col. Thomas Knowlton. Ceremonies at the Unveiling. Hartford, Conn.: Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company, 1895. 8vo. pp. 53.

Descendants of Daniel Cooper and Grace Runyon, Long Hill, Morris County, New Jersey. Collated by ARTHUR E. COOPER, Cooper's Plains, N. Y. Genealogical Tree, 22 by 28 inches. Folded and bound in cloth.

Genealogy of the Mills Family. 1896. 18mo. pp. 36.

The Butler Ancestry of Gen. Benjamin Franklin Butler in America. Lowell, Mass. 1895. 8vo. pp. 26.

Notes upon the Ancestry of John Platt, born in Burlington County, N. J., August 13, 1749, died near Wilmington, Del., December, 1823; and also a List of his Descendants. Printed for David Pepper for Private Distribution. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 29.

Descendants of Henry Hutchinson. Compiled by EDMUND D. BARBER of Boston, January 19, 1888. Tabular Pedigree. Broadside 14½ by 24 inches. Folded and bound in cloth.

The Blyenbeck and Afferden Branch of the Family of Schenck and Nydeck. From the Family of Schenck van Nydeggen; Cologne, 1860. Hampton, Va.: 1885. Normal School Press Print. 1885. 8vo. pp. 26.

A Brief Sketch of Thomas Fuller and his Descendants, with Historical Notes. Appleton, Wis. Crescent Printing House. Pot 4to. pp. 47. By J. F. FULLER, of Appleton, Wisconsin.

The Descendants of Aaron and Patience Sweetland of Hebron, Conn. 1890. Sq. 16mo. pp. 80. By LUCY W. S. JEROME, of Denver, Colorado.

Glances at the Ancestry of John Parker (born 1807, died 1891). 8vo. pp. 18. By HARRY PARKER WARD, of Columbus, Ohio.

The Family of George Stocking. By EDWARD E. CORNWELL, M.D. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 8.

Historical Journal of the More Family. 1895–6. Issued annually. DAVID F. MORE, Editor. Bangor, Pa.: W. R. Grubb, Publisher. Royal 8vo. pp. 12.

Bagg Ancestry and Atwater Ancestry. Printed for Private Circulation by Karl Kran, Publisher, 107 Waverley Place, New York city, Nov. 1895. Edition 400. Royal 8vo. pp. 4.

Pedigree of Lawrence. Compiled from Herald's Visitations, Inquisitions post mortem, Deeds, Charters, Wills, Parish Registers and other Original Manuscripts. Tabular broadside pedigree. 17 by 18 inches.

Cornell Genealogy. By H. H. H. CRAPO SMITH, Detroit, Mich. Broadside, 7½ by 14 inches.

Circular Letter No. 5. Ancestry of Ezra Green and Extracts from Various Letters and MSS. showing evidences of Connection with Gen. Nathaniel Greene. Offered by CHARLES R. GREEN, Secretary of the Ezra Green Family Association. Lyndon, Kansas. Folio. pp. 6.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works recently published relating to family history.

The Ancestry of John Whitney, the first title on our list, is a superb volume. Its elegant paper and print, its stamped vellum cover, and the number and excellence of its illustrations, commend it to the most fastidious taste. "At the beginning of the work, the results of which appear in these pages," says Mr. Melville, "Mr. Joseph C. Whitney, of Boston, with great courtesy placed freely at my disposal a mass of memoranda accumulated in the course of several years of investigation by his late father, Henry Austin Whitney." With the clews found in Mr. Whitney's manuscripts Mr. Melville pushed his investigations into English genealogy with enthusiasm, and the result is the volume before us. The surname Whitney is traced in this volume to Sir Robert de Whitney of Whitney, &c., Knight, living in 1242 and mentioned in "Testa de Neville." Abundant details of later generations of the Whitneys to the beginning of the seventeenth century, when John Whitney came to New England and settled in Watertown, are here preserved. There are nearly fifty appropriate illustrations, such as views of castles and their ruins, monuments, coats-of-arms, maps and plans, fac-similes of ancient documents, etc. Several large folding tabular pedigrees are also given. The Whitneys of America owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Melville for the thorough manner in which he has pursued his researches into the history of the English Whitneys and their honorable record.

The next book, the Follett-Dewey and other families, is devoted to the ancestry of Capt. Martin Dewey Follett who died at St. Albans, Vt., February 4, 1831, and of his wife Persis, daughter of Capt. John Fassett, Jr. It gives more or less extended genealogies of the Follett, Dewey, Fassett, Safford, Hopkins, Robinson and Fay families, from which the author, who is a state officer of two patriotic hereditary societies, is descended. In this capacity he had the privilege of examining many historical and genealogical records, and has been stimulated to trace and preserve the records of his own ancestors of various names. Besides the genealogical matter in the book we have a diary of Lieut. John Fassett in the expedition against Quebec under Gen. Montgomery in 1775, and other historical matter. Mr. Ward is the editor of the Year Book of the Ohio Sons of the American Revolution for 1896. The book before us makes a handsome volume printed on fine heavy paper, strongly bound in cloth with gilt top and uncut edges. There are fifty-six family portraits and fifteen other fine illustrations. The author has printed a small edition of the work on thinner paper without the illustrations, which he will sell for $2, or by mail $2.15.

The Jaquett book is devoted to the descendants of Jean Paul Jaquett of Huguenot descent, who emigrated from Holland to the New Netherlands in 1654, and was appointed in November, 1655, Vice-Director on the Delaware. The book shows much antiquarian research. Over one hundred pages are devoted to the emigrant. Much documentary matter illustrating his history is given. The book is well written and carefully compiled. It makes a handsome volume.

The next work contains the records of the Williamson family descended from Caleb Williamson of Barnstable and of the Cobb family descended from Henry Cobb of Plymouth, Mass. Caleb Williamson was a son of Timothy and Mary (Howland) Williamson of Marshfield. The book is carefully compiled and well arranged. Many wills and other documentary evidence are given. A large folding tabular pedigree of the Williamson family makes the frontispiece and a similar pedigree of the Cobb family is given. The book, which is from the University Press at Cambridge, is handsomely printed on superior paper. It has a good index.

The book on the Allen family is devoted to the descendants of James Allin of Dedham and Medfield, a nephew of Rev. John Allin, the first minister of Dedham. A good account of the latter by the late Prof. William F. Allen of Madison, Wisconsin, was printed in the REGISTER for July, 1888, pp. 267-9. The book is carefully compiled and handsomely printed with good indexes. An appendix contains a sketch of Rev. John Allin of Dedham and other valuable matter.

The preliminary sheets, seven in number, of the Paul family are before us. They are compiled with care. A manuscript history now in preparation, we are informed, is in a good state of forwardness and will soon be printed and published.

The book on the Statue of Col. Thomas Knowlton, besides an account of the unveiling of his statue, and the organization of the Knowlton Association, contains several pages of family history.

The work on the Cooper family is very useful. In the form of a genealogical tree, it gives the outlines of much genealogical research, the descendants here preserved being very numerous.

The Mills book contains one branch of the Mills Family gathered from some old records and from stories told the author, Miss Susan L. Mills, by her parents and grandparents, and "copied solely for her nephews and nieces." It is a very interesting book and appears in a very neat dress.

The Butler Ancestry shows that the emigrant ancestor of Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Butler was Nicholas Butler, who came to this country in 1637 and settled in Dorchester, Mass., and thence removed to Martha's Vineyard, where he died. The book, which was compiled by Gen. Butler's daughter, Mrs. Blanche Butler Ames, contains much interesting genealogical matter relative to the Butler and allied families. It is handsomely printed.

The pamphlet on the Platt family is by Franklin Platt, of Philadelphia, Pa. It is devoted to the descendants of Thomas Platt, who as early as 1712 was living in Burlington County, New Jersey, who had three sons, Thomas, John and Joseph, and one daughter Elizabeth. The pamphlet is well compiled and handsomely printed.

The Hutchinson tabular pedigree contains four generations of the descendants of Henry Hutchinson of Boston, born in that town, October 31, 1763, and died there July 17, 1833. It is well compiled.

The Schenck pamphlet is by Capt. Alexander Du Bois Schenck, U. S. Artillery, and is intended to take the place of pages 20 to 23 of the author's book on the Schenck family published in 1883. The data are taken from the History of the Schenck van Nydeggen (Nydeck) (Cologne, 1860). It is an interesting addition to the Dutch genealogy of New York.

The Fuller pamphlet is by J. F. Fuller of Appleton, Wisconsin, and is devoted to the descendants of Thomas Fuller, who died in Salem (the part now Middleton), in June, 1698, aged 80. An article on this family, by Rev. Arthur B. Fuller, afterward chaplain of the U. S. Volunteers, was printed in the REGISTER for October, 1859, pp. 351-363. Rev. Mr. Fuller was a brother of the author Sarah Margaret Fuller, Marchioness d' Ossoli. The work before us is a well compiled history of one branch of the family and makes a neat pamphlet.

The Sweetland pamphlet gives the descendants of Aaron and Patience (Clark) Sweetland of Hebron, Ct. The descendants are fully traced and the pamphlet is neatly printed.

The Parker pamphlet is by Major Harry Parker Ward, a grandson of John Parker. Besides the descendants of John Parker an appendix is devoted to the "First Jewetts of America." The pamphlet is well prepared.

The pamphlet on the family of George Stocking is a reprint from the REGISTER for April, 1896.

The Historical Journal of the More Family gives an account of the second reunion of the More family at Roxbury, N. Y., in September, 1895, with other interesting matter relating to the Mores.

The pamphlet on the Bagg and Atwater families was compiled by Lyman Hotchkiss Bagg of New York city, who contributed to the REGISTER in 1876, and later a transcript of the records of West Springfield, Mass.

The Lawrence tabular pedigree, which begins with Sir Robert Lawrence, 1191, was printed at Boston in May, 1896, for John Lawrence of Groton. The edition was only 100 copies. It gives much information in tabular form.

The Cornell Genealogy consists of one line of the descendants of Thomas Cornell, who came from England and settled first in Boston, Mass., and next in Portsmouth, R. I.

The Circular Letter on the Ancestry of Ezra Green contains genealogical matter upon the Green and other families. Besides the Circular Letter No. 5 we have before us Circular Letters No. 6, July 22, 1895, and No. 7, January, 1896 (both broadsides); Family of Ezra and Amy Church Green, 4 broadsides; Genealogical Pamphlet No. C (10 pages), and other broadsides issued by the "Ezra Green Family Association."

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Local History.

An Historical Sketch of Bradford, Mass., in the Revolution. (Including East Bradford, now Groveland.) By Louis A. Woodbury. Groveland, Mass. 1895. 16mo. pp. 112.

An Historical Address delivered in St. John's Church, Dubuque, Iowa, at the Semi-centennial Celebration of the Organization of the Parish, by Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D.D., Bishop of Iowa. Davenport. 1896. 16mo. pp. 36.

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Harvard College. Secretary's Report. Class of 1882. IV. Jan. 1, 1890 to Dec. 31, 1895. Boston. 8vo. pp. 101.

The Class of 1844, Harvard College, Fifty Years after Graduation. Prepared by the Class Secretary, Edward Wheelwright. Cambridge. 1896. 8vo. pp. xi.+353.

Societies and Institutions.

History, Charter and By-Laws of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois. List of Officers and Members. Together with a record of the service performed by their Ancestors in the Wars of the Colonies. Publication No. 2. Chicago. 1896. 8vo. pp. 170.

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The Acts and Resolves, Public and Private, of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay; to which are prefixed the Charters of the Province. With historical and explanatory notes and an Appendix. Vol. viii., being vol. III. of the App.; containing Resolves, etc., 1703–1707. Boston. 1895. 8vo. pp. 931.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

LIST OF GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Mr. Seymour Morris, of 142 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill., has nearly ready for publication a list of family histories now in preparation, with the names and addresses of the compilers. He proposes to add to this a list of manuscript genealogies which have been deposited with historical societies or in public libraries. Any aid that genealogists or librarians may render will be appreciated by Mr. Morris.

RICHARD SIMS, Esq.—Our readers will be glad to learn, as we are, that the recently reported death of this gentleman—so long and widely known through his connection with the British Museum, and by his many publications relating to the antiquities of England and the genealogies of its people—is untrue. Mr. Sims is alive and in good health.

See his advertisement in this number.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of birth, marriage, residence, and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Adams.—Andrew N. Adams, of Fairhaven, Vt., has in preparation and will soon publish a genealogical history of the family of Henry Adams, of Braintree, Mass., and will include in his work the family of John Adams, of Cambridge, Mass. The book will make a volume of 800 octavo pages, or more, and will record over 2,000 families and 12,000 persons. Subscriptions are solicited. Price $5.50 in cloth, or $7 in full morocco. Circulars furnished by the author on application. Mr. Adams is also collecting materials relating to other large families of Adams, such as the descendants of John of Plymouth, William of

Ipswich, Robert of Newbury, George of Watertown, and others, but they are too voluminous to be included in this volume.

Brewster.—Lucy Hall Greenlaw, of Gordon Place, Cambridgeport, is preparing a genealogy of the Brewster family. The early generations will probably be printed in the REGISTER, and all the material collected will be deposited in the library of this Society.

Carpenter.—Daniel H. Carpenter, of Maplewood, N. J., is nearly ready to publish a work, entitled The Carpenter Family in America, being an historical and genealogical account of William Carpenter, of Providence, R. I., and his descendants. It will embrace eight or nine generations. Nearly 2000 persons, representing 500 families will be given. There will be maps, photo-engravings, autographs, etc. No pains will be spared to make the book acceptable in style, paper and binding. A list of subscribers will be printed in the book. Circulars furnished on application.

Cheney.—Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Cambridge, Mass., has a history of this family well advanced, and is to spend some time in England this summer to complete investigations which were begun several years since by Rev. W. F. Cheney, of Dedham, Mass.

Choate.—"The Choates in America" is now in the hands of the printer. It will be ready for delivery to subscribers in the Fall. Price $5. As soon as published the price will be advanced. Orders returned before the book comes from the publishers will be filled at the price named. Information, additional data and orders may be sent to Rev. E. O. JAMESON, No. 49 Hancock Street, Boston, Mass.

Claflin.—Mr. Charles H. Wight, of 415 Broadway, New York City, has a genealogy of the Claflin family in preparation. As the work is nearly completed, persons interested should send in the records of their families at once.

Fanning.—Walter F. Brooks, 54 Queen Street, Worcester, Mass., has in preparation an historical and genealogical record of the Fanning family from the 12th century to the present time. Previous to publishing the work, which is now near completion, the author requests persons of the name to send sketches of their families.

Goldthwaite.—Miss Charlotte Goldthwaite, Hartford, Conn., has now near completion a history of this family for which she began collecting data nearly thirteen years ago. She has a full account of those of the name in America, with valuable information obtained in England, where in 1890 she discovered and visited the original home of the family, and made extended and successful research in public records. Circulars will be sent on application.

Kellogg.—Timothy Hopkins, Mills Building, San Francisco, Cal., is preparing a genealogy of all branches of the Kellogg family and is particularly desirous of ascertaining the relationship, if any, between the several emigrants of the name in this country, and their connection with English families.

Manning.—William H. Manning, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is preparing a genealogy of the Manning families of New England. Address, care of the Long Island Historical Society, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Ripley.—Willis J. Ripley, 120 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ills., is engaged in compiling the genealogy of the Ripley family in America, from William Ripley, who came from Wymondham, Norfolk County, England, in 1638, and settled with his family in Hingham, Mass., and incidentally is collecting data of the families of William Ripley, who settled in West Bridgewater, Mass., about 1695, and of James Ripley, who came from Ireland and settled in Virginia about 1750. Some material has been found relating to the family in England prior to 1638. He will be pleased to hear from anyone interested in the above families.

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The REGISTER, under the management of a succession of able and learned editors, has now become a vast storehouse of historical and genealogical material, much of it to be found nowhere else—an inexhaustible mine of information concerning the early settlers of New England, their families and their descendants. No town or family history can properly be written without a search of the contents of the long series of volumes into which the REGISTER has now expanded.

But the very success of the Society in accumulating such an abundance of material renders it increasingly difficult to find anything hidden in so great a mass. An Index is imperatively necessary.

Yet for more than forty years no attempt was made to provide the REGISTER with an Index of Places, nor during that period is there any Index of Persons in the proper acceptation of the term. There is merely a list of surnames, and a very inadequate and imperfect Index of Subjects.

Indeed it is only within the last six years that the searcher who has had occasion to consult the REGISTER has found anything which deserves to be called an index to guide him through the labyrinth of its contents. The volumes published during that period are each provided with a full index of places and persons, the latter arranged according to Christian as well as surnames. The adoption of this improved method can fairly be said to have doubled the value of the REGISTER to the investigator. And it is important that this system should be extended to include all the other volumes of the REGISTER.

Few people are aware that in a single volume of the REGISTER there are mentioned more than 3,000 places, 4,000 family names, and 12,000 individuals. These figures, large as they are, are below the average of the later years, and the 20,000 pages of printed matter already published contain, it is estimated, more than 600,000 names of persons.

The Society has now entered upon the publication of the 50th volume of the REGISTER, and it is desirous of printing a consolidated index to the whole fifty volumes; an index comprising subjects, places and persons, the latter arranged by Christian as well as surnames. But it is without funds available for the purpose.

The preparation of such an index will require, it is estimated, about $3,000. This is exclusive of the cost of printing. But the committee are confident that if the first cost —that of compilation—can be met, means can be found to defray the expense of printing. If one third of the estimated sum can be promptly raised, the committee, with this in hand, will feel justified in entering upon the work.

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The Society confidently appeals to that public spirit which is never called upon in vain, and it hopes that all persons of New England descent, in every part of the country, will contribute according to their means to make available for the first time this vast collection of historical and genealogical material accumulated by the labors of two generations of self-sacrificing antiquaries.

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History of Danbury, Conn. 1684-1896. From Notes and Manuscript left by JAMES MONTGOMERY BAILEY. Compiled with Additions by SUSAN BENEDICT HILL. New York: Burr Printing House. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. xxii.+583. Sold by A. N. Wildman, Danbury, Conn. Price in cloth $3, not including postage. Better bindings at higher prices. Send for circular.

Danbury, Connecticut, has been settled over two hundred years, eight persons from Norwalk with their families having in the summer of 1684 begun here some improvements in building, sowing grain, etc. The book before us gives the history of this town for the two hundred and twelve years of its existence. This is the first history of the town printed, though the Rev. Thomas Robbins, D.D., then a young man, in his Century Sermon at Danbury, January 1, 1801, commemorating the beginning of the Nineteenth Century, gave in his sermon a sketch of the history of the town, which is reprinted in this book.

The late James Montgomery Bailey, the popular author, and editor of the *Danbury News*, several years before his death began the preparation of a history of the home of his adoption. He died March 4, 1894, leaving his history unfinished. The Danbury Relief Society, of which Mr. Bailey was president at the time of his death, undertook, in accordance with his wishes, the completion and publication of the book. The society had the good fortune to secure the services of Mrs. Susan Benedict Hill, a lady whose tastes and literary ability in every way fitted her for the work she undertook. Mrs. Hill in her Preface says: "The broken threads that fell from lifeless fingers have been reverently gathered up and woven into the web of this history in the hope that the sons and daughters of Danbury, wherever they are scattered, may find some pleasing words of the old home, its early settlers and its citizens of today."

The goodly volume before us contains a comprehensive record of the events that have transpired in this ancient town. We have here the lives of those who have been prominent in local affairs and in the annals of our country; accounts of the development of its various industries; an account of the patriotic services which its citizens rendered in the several wars; and its progressive move-

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ments in the cause of education with its schools, newspapers and other evidences of intelligence. The whole is told in an attractive manner, giving a lively picture of what has happened in Danbury for two centuries. Among its celebrities may be named Enoch Crosby, who is generally believed to have been the original of "Harvey Birch," the hero of Cooper's famous novel "The Spy." A good account of Crosby and his services is here preserved.

The book makes a handsome volume with its clear print, generous margins and elegant illustrations. There are about seventy pages of engravings, principally portraits of old residents and views of their residences, showing us the faces and homes of people "whose names and histories are allied with the beginning and growth of the town." Other views are given, as are also facsimiles of old documents, &c., &c.

The book does great credit to Mr. Bailey and to the compiler, Mrs. Hill, who has done her work in a very thorough manner. We trust that the Relief Society, in whose interest the book is published, will derive a handsome sum from its sale.

The New Education in the Old Dominion. Address before the Society of Alumni of the University of Virginia. By Rev. JOHN S. LINDSAY, of Boston. June 17, 1896. Sm. folio. pp. 8.

The Rev. Dr. Lindsay, rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston, a graduate of the University of Virginia, was honored by his *alma mater* with an invitation to address the Society of the Alumni at the last commencement. Dr. Lindsay accepted the invitation, and chose as the subject of his address "The New Education in the Old Dominion." He treats his subject in an impartial manner, and eloquently enforces his views. While giving due credit to the old Education in Virginia, he calmly considers the new ideas, the new conditions and the new needs which call for a new education. Dr. Lindsay is in full sympathy with the recent methods of instruction. As a specimen, both of his style and his views, we quote the closing paragraph of the address:

"In the future, when the patriotic pilgrim shall visit this shrine of learning, and see these hills crowned with stately buildings and these halls crowded with students eagerly seeking knowledge under wise leadership and with all modern facilities of study, or gathering up the results of observation and intellectual work for the benefit of mankind, he will recognize in this University one of the foremost forces of American civilization and appreciate the prophetic foresight of Jefferson, who, in writing the epitaph that should commemorate his highest achievements that claim for him chiefly the gratitude of generations to come, added to the sentence 'Author of the Declaration of American Independence and of the Statute of Virginia for Religious Liberty,' the pregnant words, '*and Father of the University of Virginia.*'"

Rev. Jacob Bailey, his Character and Works. By CHARLES E. ALLEN. Read before the Lincoln County Historical Society, November 18, 1895. Printed for the Society. 1895. 8vo.

The Rev. Jacob Bailey was a "Missionary of the Church of England on Kennebec River," from 1760 to 1779. A memoir of him by the late Rev. William S. Bartlet, of Chelsea, Mass., was published in 1853, under the title of "The Frontier Missionary." Rev. Mr. Bailey left a valuable collection of historical documents which were placed in the hands of Mr. Bartlet, and which, we understand, have been used by Mr. Allen. The paper before us gives a vivid sketch of the trials of the loyalist missionary on the Kennebec river.

Celebration of the One Hundred Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Massachusetts Lodge, 1770, May 17, 1895, with Historical Notes, By-Laws and a List of Members [coat of arms of Mass.]. Boston. Printed by order of the Lodge, 1896. 1 vol. 8vo. pp. 144. Press of T. R. Marvin & Co.

This venerable lodge is one of the only two who enjoy the honor of possessing a charter signed by Joseph Warren, the patriot of 1775. The difficulties and opposition attendant upon its formation are fully and comprehensively told in the Historical Notes, found in this volume, which comprise a resumé of prominent events in the history of the lodge, description of the halls in which its communications have been held, of their ornament, furniture and garniture, and presenting well executed cuts, viz.: portrait of Gen. Joseph Warren,

Grand Master, 1770; of the dwelling on Warren street, Roxbury, in which he was born; of the various halls in Boston occupied by the Massachusetts Lodge; the Green Dragon Tavern, the Exchange Coffee House, the First and the Second Masonic Temples, with an interior of Sutton Hall. The full text of the historical address at the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the foundation of the lodge, 17 May, 1895, is given with an engraving of the portrait of the orator, S. W. Creech, Jr., a past master of the lodge. An interesting and valuable feature rests in the biographical sketches of gentlemen distinguished in the history of Boston, who have been members of the lodge. The code of by-laws and the list of members and officers conclude the volume, which is plentifully illustrated with half-tone cuts of the officers of the lodge at the date of the celebration, of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, of many of the Past Masters of Massachusetts Lodge, and of the Centenary Gavel of its members, and an engraving of the seal of the Grand Lodge. Comprehensive indices accompany the text.

The still, though deep current of usefulness and duty well performed, which has characterized the career of this lodge and of its members, is appropriately set forth in the pages of this well printed volume, constituting a cherished and convenient treasure and keepsake.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Officers and Graduates of Columbia College: General Catalogue, 1754-1894. By JOHN H. VAN AMRINGE, Ph.D., and JOHN B. PINE, A.B., Committee. Printed for the College. 1894. 8vo. pp. 620.

Twelve general catalogues of the institution known successively as King's College and Columbia College have been published since its establishment in 1754. The improvement in the system of compilation of such works is well illustrated in a comparison of this work with the first general catalogue of King's College, published in 1774, and prefixed to this work in fac-simile. The first catalogue was a barren list of names in Latin, printed as a broadside. The present is a good-sized volume, comprising a brief historical sketch, followed by exhaustive classified lists of all officers of government and instruction, and graduates of the several departments, and recipients of honorary degrees. In the case of each graduate the occupation is given, together with university degrees received, offices held, etc., and in the case of living graduates the present address.

A useful part of the work, not yet common in general catalogues of colleges, is a locality index. This fills 100 pages, and in it are given the names of all living graduates grouped by states and cities. To each name is added the year of graduation and department of the college, and the street address. The number of graduates presumed to be living is 9082, and of these the addresses of about 4800 living in New York city are given, and more than 500 living in Brooklyn. The holders of degrees living in New England number 518, the professional schools being naturally most largely represented.

Where residences are given with the names of graduates, whether a locality index is added or not, the value of the work is greatly increased, for the graduates as well as for others who may have occasion to consult it. In the general catalogues of the two largest New England colleges the residences of alumni are not given. The compiler of one of them, in assigning the reason, said that the catalogue might be employed by advertisers to the annoyance of those whose addresses were given. It would hardly seem that the annoyance would counterbalance the advantages to be derived from publishing the places of residence.

The compilers of this work, and the printers as well, are deserving of much credit. The painstaking effort of the compilers is indicated by the fact that they issued nearly 10,000 return postal cards in order to secure accuracy.

By Samuel Merrill, LL.B., of Cambridge, Mass.

Papers relating to Capt. Lawrence's Company raised in Groton, Massachusetts, during the French and Indian War, 1758. Remarks made before the Massachusetts Historical Society, May 8, 1890. By SAMUEL ABBOTT GREEN, M.D. 8vo. pp. 10.

On the 8th of May, 1890, Dr. Green presented to the Massachusetts Historical Society, some manuscripts relating to a military company raised in Groton during the French and Indian War. Dr. Green's remarks on the occasion and ex-

tracts from the manuscripts themselves are printed in the pamphlet before us. It is an interesting addition to the local military history of the time.

In the last number of the REGISTER, pp. 352 and 353, is printed from the Shattuck Manuscripts in the possession of this society a Billeting Roll of Capt. Lawrence's company March 28 to May 25, 1758. It gives some new items about this company.

Annual Register of Officers and Members of the Society of Colonial Wars. Constitution of the General Society. Published by authority of the General Assembly. New York. January, 1860. pp. 422+lxi.

Year Book of the Illinois Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Organized January 14, 1890. Chicago. Wm. Johnston Printing Co. 1896. 8vo. pp. 319.

Eighth Annual Report of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution, with Sermons and Addresses delivered before the Society, 1895-96. Philadelphia. 1896. Sm. 4to. pp. 319.

Order of the Founders and Patriots of America. Constitution, By-Laws and Charter Associates. Officers of the New York Society of the Founders and Patriots of America. April, 1896. New York. 12mo. pp. 47.

The brilliant exterior of the first three of the above list of publications will not be found to belie the worth of their contents. The first-named, besides presenting the roll of the General Officers and Delegates, and the Constitution of the General Society, contains the names of the officers and members of seventeen State Societies in the order of their establishment. An appendix of fifty-seven pages comprises the Report of the Committee on the Louisburg Memorial. Among the contents of the second of the list—which, as all similar works, supplies a catalogue of the Officers and Members, the Constitution, By-Laws, History and Necrology of the Society that issues it,—in addition is furnished a sketch of the services of Illinois in the Revolution, preceded by a notice of the National Society, explaining its origin, plan of organization and objects. An account of the Chicago Continental Guard is also included in the work. The third volume is more distinctively literary, with addresses whose noticeably religious earnestness and sermons whose flaming patriotism are exemplifications of the spirit of those ancestors whose memory the Patriotic Societies are designed to perpetuate. The title-page of the fourth describes the book.

Such publications as these must surely assist in promoting those objects for which the societies were founded, and multiply results of the nature defined in the Illinois Year Book in the closing paragraphs on the National Society, recapitulating "What the Society has done."

By Frederick W. Parke, of Boston.

The Frontier Forts within the Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania. A Report of the State Commission appointed to mark the Forts erected against the Indians prior to 1783. By SHELDON REYNOLDS, a Member of the Commission, and President of the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society. *With a Brief Memoir of the Author.* By ANDREW H. MCCLINTOCK, M.A. Wilkes-Barré, Penn. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 48+4.

This admirable paper was read before the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, December, 1894, and was first published by the State of Pennsylvania in one of two volumes, entitled "Frontier Forts." The writer of the paper was the president of the society, Sheldon Reynolds, M.A., who died at Saranac Lake, N. Y., February 8, 1895. The pamphlet is illustrated by views of some of the forts and other engravings. It is a valuable contribution to local history.

History of Tufts College. 1854-1856. Published by the Class of 1897. Editor in Chief: ALARIC BERTRAND START. Associate Editors: LEM G. BLANCHARD, FRANKLIN B. WILLIAMS, J. B. W. DAY, ROLLA E. HEALEY, STEPHEN C. M. MITCHELL, EDITH L. HODGE, GEORGIA L. HODGDON, FLINT M. BISSELL and R. WALDO PLACE. Business Manager: Warren S. Parks. Assistant Business Manager; E. J. Hewett. Tufts College, Massachusetts. 1896. 8vo, pp. 382.

The class of 1897, Tufts College, rendered conspicuous service to its *alma mater* by the publication of its history. The College was founded in 1854, and during its forty years has made for itself a worthy place among the leading colleges of the country. Its presidents have been Hosea Ballou, D.D., 1854-1861,

Alonzo A. Miner, D.D., 1861-1875, and Elmer Hewitt Capen, D.D., 1875 to the present time. This volume tells the story of its founding and marvellous growth and concerning its generous benefactors, its faithful instructors and alumni. The institution takes its name from Charles Tufts, a benefactor on whose homestead farm the College is situated. The site is historic ground. From its eminence a bird's-eye view of the scenes of the most exciting incidents of the Colonial and Provincial period is gained. The buildings for most part are in Medford, in which city is its corporate title; while much of its splendid campus is in Somerville (formerly a portion of Charlestown). During the past year there has been almost five hundred students in its various departments. The work of its College of Letters, Engineering, Divinity and Medical departments remind the reader that the institution is fast becoming a fully equipped University. This volume is graced by towards fifty views of its buildings and portraits of its faculty. Its index is excellent. It is the custom in this College for each class during its Junior year to publish a volume of some character. The class of '97 has abundant reason for gratulation upon its undertaking and superb accomplishment in the publication of this history. It easily takes a front rank, and serves as a worthy model to students in other colleges.

By Rev. Anson Titus, of Somerville, Mass.

George Huntington Williams. A Memorial by Friends for Friends. 1856-1894. Privately Printed. 1896. 1 vol. 8vo. pp. 150.

This series of monographs from most competent pens on the career of one of the most brilliant young Americans, terminated too soon by the chance accident of indulgence in a draught of water from an infected well, has been beautifully printed at the De Vinne Press. Mr. Williams was gifted with intellectual endowments of the highest order, and furnished with all the aids that wealth can bestow. His intense zeal and activity were restrained by the inheritance of a descent unsurpassed and tempered by the culture of family and social ties rare and unusual. To such an one life meant a great deal; and to his friends and admirers much more.

Mr. Williams was a contributor to the REGISTER before he was twenty-five, and it is with a large measure of regret that we place this beautiful volume among our biographies.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

A List of Genealogies Being Compiled. Collected by SEYMOUR MORRIS, Member of the N. E. H. G. Society. Chicago. 1896. 8vo. pp. 19. [For sale by the the compiler, at 142 La Salle street, Chicago. Price 50 cents.]

In July, 1895, a genealogical department, similar to that in the Notes and Queries of the *Boston Saturday Transcript*, was begun in the Saturday issues of the *Chicago Evening Journal*, with Seymour Morris as editor. Mr. Morris published in that column, from time to time, lists of genealogies in preparation. This department was suspended in the early winter, not for lack of success but on account of a change in the management of the paper. Mr. Morris, however, continued to gather the names of family historians, and has given in this pamphlet the result of his labors.

This work contains about four hundred family names, arranged in alphabetical order. Following each name is the address of the compiler of the family history, making a convenient directory. This directory fills fifteen octavo pages, and gives a very good idea of the present amount of interest in genealogical matters. The pamphlet also contains lists of manuscript genealogies in possession of various societies, of town histories in preparation and of genealogical periodicals.

Excepting Durrie's Index there is probably no single publication which will be of more service to the genealogist and searcher for ancestry than this little pamphlet.

By Wm. Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge, Mass.

Publications of the Library of Leland Stanford Junior University. I. *Catalogue of the Hopkins Railway Library.* By FREDERICK J. TEGGART, B.A., Assistant Librarian. Palo Alto, California. 1895. Sq. 8vo. pp. x.+231. Price $1.50 bound, $1.25 paper.

The Hopkins Railway Library is a collection of nearly ten thousand books and pamphlets relating to railroads and railroad subjects. The first two thou-

sand volumes were gathered by Timothy Hopkins, while he was treasurer of the Southern Pacific Company, and presented to the Stanford University, in April, 1892, together with ample means for the increase and care of the collection. It is by far the largest mass of railway matter yet brought together.

This catalogue, the first publication of the library of the University, is a creditable piece of work. It is well classified for convenience. There is an author index, which also includes names mentioned in the notes. There are two columns to the page, printed from plain type on good paper. The Stanford University seems to have not only the lead in railway literature, but the men and the means to retain this advanced position.

By Wm. Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge.

The Equipment of the Sanctum. Address before the Maine Press Association, at its Annual Meeting, January 9, 1896. By SAMUEL LANE BOARDMAN. Portland: Printed for the Author. 8vo. pp. 18.

Mr. Boardman's address contains some valuable advice and suggestions as to the proper equipment of the editorial room of a newspaper, and particularly that of one of the great daily papers. He has had much experience in editorial work, and his remarks will well repay their perusal and study.

The Hazard Family of Rhode Island, 1635-1894; Being a Genealogy and History of the Descendants of Thomas Hazard, with Sketches of the Worthies of this Family, and Anecdotes Illustrative of their Traits and also of the Times in which they Lived. Embellished with Portraits and Fac-Similes, and with Map and Index. By CAROLINE E. ROBINSON. Boston: Printed for the Author. 1895. 4to. pp. vii.+293.

Genealogical Record of the Hodges Family of New England, ending December 31, 1894. Third Edition. Compiled by ALMON D. HODGES, Jr., and other Members of the Family. Boston: Printed for the Family by Frank H. Hodges. 1896. 8vo. pp. 566. Edition limited to 300 copies.

History and Genealogy of the Bangs Family in America, with Genealogical Tables and Notes. By DEAN DUDLEY. Tracing the Descendants, Male and Female, from the Pilgrim Ancestor, Edward Bangs of Plymouth and Eastham. Illustrated with Numerous Fine Engravings and Portraits. Published by the Author, Montrose, Mass. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 360. Price $5.

The Third Annual Meeting of the Governor Thomas Dudley Family Association, and Fourth Reunion of the Descendants of Governor Thomas Dudley, held in Boston, Oct. 15, 1895. 8vo. pp. 53.

The Comey-Comee Family in America, Descendants of David Comey of Concord, Mass., Killed in King Philip's War, 1676. With Notes on the Maltman Family. By ALLEN H. BENT. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 50.

American Ancestors of the Children of Joseph and Daniella Wheeler of whom we have records. Compiled by JOSEPH AND DANIELLA WHEELER, Alabama. 8vo. pp. 24.

Hills Family Genealogical and Historical Association. Incorporated July 6, 1894. Second Annual Report of the Directors, Boston, June 2, 1896. 8vo. pp. 10.

Short Notes on the Baker Family and also the related families of Clark, Comstock, Baxter, Chaffee, Brown and Mason. Compiled by GEO: COMSTOCK BAKER, LL.M. Comstock, N. Y. Privately Printed. 1896. Broad 8vo. pp. 11.

The Genealogy of the Atwell Family of New London, Conn. Prepared by CHARLES BEACH ATWELL, Evanston, Illinois. 1896. 8vo. pp. 10.

We continue, in this number, our quarterly notices of works recently published on family history.

The book on the Hazard Family of Rhode Island fills a long felt want. The Hazards have long held a prominent place in New England history, and particularly in that of Rhode Island. Thomas Hazard, the progenitor of the families recorded in this book, was born about 1610, and came to New England about 1635, his name being found at Boston in that year. On the 25th of March, 1638, he was admitted freeman of Massachusetts. In 1639, he with William Coddington and others removed to the island of Aquidneck, now Newport, R. I., where they founded a colony. Mr. Hazard was chosen one of the first officers in the colony. Mrs. Robinson, of Wakefield, R. I., the compiler of the volume

before us, is a descendant of this family. She tells us in her prospectus that she "has not endeavored to make a scientific, formal, or final historical work, but a collection of materials which shall serve the future historian not alone of this family, but of the period covered by its life. . . . The data for the work has been for some years past patiently gathered from all kinds of sources, not the least interesting part of the book being the stories of old Narragansett life, often taken from the mouths of the inhabitants of the country side, who in their isolated surroundings preserve with singular vividness the traditions of an older day." Mrs. Robinson has succeeded in gathering in this book a full and precise record of nearly three thousand descendants, including some of the tenth generation. The book is carefully arranged, well printed in antique style, and has a thorough index. It is illustrated with a number of portraits, among them one of William Coddington, and numerous fac-similes.

The book on the Hodges family is the third book giving the genealogy of that family which has been printed in New England. Mr. Hodges, the compiler of this volume, prefers to call it a "third edition"; that is, he considers it the third edition of the book published in 1837 by Rufus Hodges of Cincinnati (12mo. pp. 22), which was enlarged by the late Col. Almon Danforth Hodges, and published in 1853 (8vo. pp. 71). The compiler of the present volume, who is a son of the compiler of the edition of 1853, has very much enlarged the work. Instead of seventy-one octavo pages we have now five hundred pages besides the index; and each page contains much more matter. Mr. Hodges has devoted much time to compiling this work and has succeeded in making it a remarkably full and accurate genealogy. Indeed we know of no work on which so much time has been expended in verifying the statements and freeing the work from error. The book is arranged on the REGISTER PLAN, and makes a handsome volume. The index is a remarkably full one. Each person mentioned is indexed, and in cases where the person's name was changed the new name is also indexed. We understand that all, or nearly all, of the copies printed were subscribed for, so that it will be difficult to obtain the book.

The volume on the Bangs family is by Dean Dudley of Montrose, Mass., who commenced his labor on the work in 1849, nearly half a century ago. He is the author of the Dudley Genealogy, of which the first edition, an octavo of 144 pages, was published in 1848, and the second of twelve hundred pages was issued in 1894. Mr. Dudley is the author of a number of other works that have found favor with the public. The present volume is compiled with great care, and is clearly arranged. The book makes a handsome volume, is well printed, with numerous illustrations, principally portraits. It is thoroughly indexed. The emigrant ancestor of this family was Edward Bangs, born about 1592, who came to New England in the Anne, which arrived here July, 1623. He settled at Plymouth, but afterwards removed to Eastham, where he died. His descendants are numerous and scattered over the country. Mr. Dudley has done a good service to his kinsmen in collecting the records of a widely scattered race.

The pamphlet report of the third Annual Meeting of the Governor Thomas Dudley Family Association is edited by Messrs. L. Edwin Dudley, Albion M. Dudley and Dudley R. Child. The proceedings on that occasion are well calculated to interest the descendants of Gov. Dudley in their ancestry, which is a very honorable one. The pamphlet is well printed, and is illustrated with portraits of Paul Dudley and Lucy Wainwright Dudley and a view of the Parting Stone at Roxbury.

The Comey-Comee pamphlet is a reprint from the REGISTER for April, 1896, with the addition of an article on the Maltman Family, some other historical matter and a good index.

The American Ancestors of Joseph and Daniella Wheeler contains brief records of several families, from which Hon. Joseph Wheeler of Alabama and his wife are descended.

The pamphlet on the Hills Family Association contains an account of the encouraging work done in collecting material for a history of Joseph Hills of Malden, his ancestors and descendants. A report of the proceedings at the second annual meeting of the association, June 2, 1896, has also been printed and is before us.

The Baker pamphlet gives genealogical records of the descendants of John Baker, a soldier in King Philip's War, and notes on the other families named in the title page.

The Atwell pamphlet is devoted to the descendants of Benjamin Atwell of New London, whose name appears in 1663. It is well compiled.

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County Records of the Surnames of Francus, Franceis, French, in England, A.D. 1100–1350. By A. D. Weld French, *Author of the "Index Armorial," "Frenches in Scotland," Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, Member of the Scottish Historical Society and of the Committee on Heraldry of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society.* Boston. Privately printed. 1896. 8vo. pp. 594+8.

Genealogical and Historical Sketches of the Allen Family of Dedham and Medfield, Mass., 1637–1890. Compiled by Frank Allen Hutchinson, *member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and corresponding member of the Dedham Historical Society.* Privately printed. Lowell, Mass. 1896. 8vo. pp. 80. [100 copies printed. Price $3.00 and not $1.00 as given in the July Register.]

The Comey-Comee Family in America. Descendants of David Comey, of Concord, Mass., killed in King Philip's War, 1676. With notes on the Maltman Family. By Allen H. Bent, of Boston, *member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society.* Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1896: 8vo. pp. 50.

Biography.

Rev. William Blackstone, the Pioneer of Boston. By John C. Crane, *member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society.* Worcester, Mass. Charles R. Stobbs, printer. 1896. 8vo. pp. 14.

Andrew P. Peabody, D.D., LL.D. A Memoir. By Edward J. Young. Prepared for the Massachusetts Historical Society. Cambridge: John Wilson and Son, University Press. 1896. 8vo. pp. 28.

II. *Other Publications.*

History.

The Frontier Forts within the Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania. A report of the State Commission appointed to mark the forts erected against the Indians prior to 1783. By Sheldon Reynolds, M. A., a member of the Commission, and president of the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society. With a brief Memoir of the author. By Andrew H. McClintock, M. A. Read before the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, December, 1894, and reprinted from the State Report, 1896. Wilkes-Barre, Penn'a. 1896. 8vo. pp. 48.

Biography.

Memorial Tributes to Eben D. Jordan. Born Oct. 13, 1822—Died Nov. 15, 1895. Boston. Press of George H. Ellis, 141 Franklin street. 1896. 8vo. pp. 98.

In Memoriam. Deacon Joshua Hale. Biographical Sketch and Funeral Sermon. [Sermon preached in the Bellevue Church, Newburyport, Massachusetts, by Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, May 6, 1894.] 12mo. pp. 28.

Memorial Sermon on the Rev. David Greene Haskins, D. D., Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cambridge, Mass., by The Rev. Horatio Gray, A. M. Delivered in St. Bartholomew's Church, Cambridge, May 31, 1896. Repeated by request in Grace Church, Medford, Mass., June 14, 1896. Published by request. Boston: Damrell and Upham, the Old Corner Bookstore, 283 Washington street. 1896. 8vo. pp. 20.

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Colleges and Schools.

Thirtieth Annual Catalogue of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy. 1896–97. College Building, corner St. Botolph and Garrison streets, Boston. [1896.] 12mo. pp. 58+xiv.

Addresses of the Living Graduates of Dartmouth College, the Medical College and the Thayer School of Civil Engineering. March, 1894. [Rochester, N. H., 1894.] 8vo. pp. 70.

Report of the President of Bowdoin College for the Academic Year 1895-96, to which are appended the reports of the Librarian and the Special Committee on Library. Brunswick, Maine. 1896. 8vo. pp. 30.

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The Proceedings and Transactions of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Session of 1894–95. Vol. IX. (Being volume II. of the Second Series). Part I. With six plates, Halifax, N. S. Printed for the Institute by the Nova Scotia Printing Company. 1896. 8vo. pp. xxii.+100+3.

Transactions of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for the year 1895. Part I. Boston. Printed for the Society. 1896. 8vo. pp. 175+2.

Forty-Third Annual Report of the Directors of the American Congregational Association. Presented May 25, 1896. Boston. American Congregational Association. Congregational House. 1896. 8vo. pp. 18.

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Report of the Superintendent of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, showing the progress of the work during the fiscal year ending with June, 1894. In two parts. Part II. Appendices relating to the methods, discussions, and results of the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Washington: Government Printing Office. 1895. 4to. pp. 615.

Thirteenth Annual Report of the Bureau of Ethnology to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, 1891–'92. By J. W. Powell, Director. Washington: Government Printing Office. 1896. 4to. pp. lix+462.

The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies * * * * Series I.—Volume XLVIII. In two parts. Part I.—Reports, Correspondence, etc. Washington: Government Printing Office. 1896. 8vo. pp. 1057.

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A Review of a So-called Supplement to the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, 1780-1784. [By James J. Tracy, Chief of Archives Division, Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. June 3, 1896.] Boston. 8vo. pp. 8.

Catalogue of Loan Collection at Punchard Hall. The Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, Town of Andover, Massachusetts. 1896. 12mo. pp. 42.

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INDEX TO AMERICAN GENEALOGIES.—Joel Munsell's Sons, Albany, N. Y., have in preparation a supplement to the fourth edition of the Genealogical Index. The publishers desire to make this work accurate and complete. To do this they ask the coöperation of interested persons in correcting errors in the last edition and supplying things omitted.

THE WOODBURY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.—A society has been incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts with the above name, having for its object the collection of a history and genealogy of the Woodbury family. Hon. Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston is president, John Woodbury of Lynn treasurer, and Mrs. Lora A. (Woodbury) Underhill clerk of the society. Any descendant of John or of William Woodbury (the first settlers of Beverly) may become a member. Annual membership fee, $1.00; life membership, $10.00; honorary membership, $100.00. The society held a meeting at the rooms of the Essex Institute, Salem, June 13, 1896. Much valuable historical material has already been collected. Communications may be sent to the clerk, 127 St. Botolph street, Boston.

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NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.

THE INDEX TO THE REGISTER.

WITHIN two years from the date of its incorporation in 1845 the New-England Historic Genealogical Society began the publication of its quarterly journal, the NEW-ENGLAND HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER, and this publication so happily begun has continued without interruption to the present day.

The REGISTER, under the management of a succession of able and learned editors, has now become a vast storehouse of historical and genealogical material, much of it to be found nowhere else—an inexhaustible mine of information concerning the early settlers of New England, their families and their descendants. No town or family history can properly be written without a search of the contents of the long series of volumes into which the REGISTER has now expanded.

But the very success of the Society in accumulating such an abundance of material renders it increasingly difficult to find anything hidden in so great a mass. An Index is imperatively necessary.

Yet for more than forty years no attempt was made to provide the REGISTER with an Index of Places, nor during that period is there any Index of Persons in the proper acceptation of the term. There is merely a list of surnames, and a very inadequate and imperfect Index of Subjects.

Indeed it is only within the last six years that the searcher who has had occasion to consult the REGISTER has found anything which deserves to be called an index to guide him through the labyrinth of its contents. The volumes published during that period are each provided with a full index of places and persons, the latter arranged according to Christian as well as surnames. The adoption of this improved method can fairly be said to have doubled the value of the REGISTER to the investigator. And it is important that this system should be extended to include all the other volumes of the REGISTER.

Few people are aware that in a single volume of the REGISTER there are mentioned more than 3,000 places, 4,000 family names, and 12,000 individuals. These figures, large as they are, are below the average of the later years, and the 20,000 pages of printed matter already published contain, it is estimated, more than 600,000 names of persons.

The Society has now entered upon the publication of the 50th volume of the REGISTER, and it is desirous of printing a consolidated index to the whole fifty volumes; an index comprising subjects, places and persons, the latter arranged by Christian as well as surnames. But it is without funds available for the purpose.

The preparation of such an index will require, it is estimated, about $3,000. This is exclusive of the cost of printing. But the committee are confident that if the first cost —that of compilation—can be met, means can be found to defray the expense of printing. If one third of the estimated sum can be promptly raised, the committee, with this in hand, will feel justified in entering upon the work.

Ten subscriptions of $100 each will produce this sum. Yet no contribution, however small, will be declined, but will be gratefully received.

Many of the volumes of the REGISTER are out of print and are very scarce. A complete set can with difficulty be obtained. Occasionally, on the sale of some collection, one finds its way, but rarely, to the market. Its value is about $250.

To those who are fortunate enough to own a full set of the REGISTER the proposed index will be invaluable; while those persons, societies or libraries having an imperfect set which they have found it impossible heretofore to complete, will find such an index well nigh indispensable.

The Society confidently appeals to that public spirit which is never called upon in vain, and it hopes that all persons of New England descent, in every part of the country, will contribute according to their means to make available for the first time this vast collection of historical and genealogical material accumulated by the labors of two generations of self-sacrificing antiquaries.

Upon the response to this appeal depends the fate of this great work.

Communications may be addressed and contributions sent to JOHN WARD DEAN, Editor of the REGISTER, at the Society's House, No. 18 Somerset Street, Boston, Mass.

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Soldiers in King Philip's War. Being a Critical Account of that War, with a concise History of the Indian Wars of New England from 1620–1677; Official Lists of the Soldiers of Massachusetts Colony serving in Philip's War, and Sketches of the principal officers, copies of ancient documents and records relating to the war; also Lists of the Narragansett Grantees of the United Colonies of Massachusetts, Plymouth and Connecticut. With an Appendix. By GEORGE MADISON BODGE, A.B., member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and Chaplain of the Massachusetts Society of Colonial Wars. Leominster, Mass. Printed for the author, 1896. 8vo. pp. 502+xiii. In cloth. Illustrations. Price $6. Address Rev. Geo. M. Bodge, Leominster, Mass.

We are accustomed to speak of the Revolution as "the times that tried men's souls." How much more is this applicable to the period a century before the Revolution, when the Indian's scalping knife was in constant use, and the farmer went forth to his daily avocation fearful that an attack might be made upon his household at any hour. At the record of atrocities perpetrated at that period, one is apt to shudder, and to feel grateful that such scenes have passed almost into the domain of ancient history.

The history of the desperate struggle with the Indians in 1675-6, known as King Philip's War, is not so familiar to the general historical reader as it should be. With the exception of the accounts of Hubbard, Increase Mather, Hoyt and Drake, all of which are becoming scarce, but little attention has been given to this subject by historical writers. Mr. Bodge has therefore labored in a comparatively unworked field and gleaned from a much neglected vineyard. At that period, it must be remembered, the colonies were only in the second generation from their settlement. The towns were few in number, distant from each other, and scattered over an extensive territory. Mutual assistance was difficult, not to say hazardous. The military forces were not sufficiently strong to protect each settlement. The situation was perilous in the extreme. Viewed in the light of modern times it seems to have been a very unequal contest, and the wonder is that it was brought to a successful termination.

In the preparation of the work the author has given abundant evidence of patient, persistent and painstaking research. Nearly every page exhibits these qualities, but none more so than his lists of soldiers and their biographies, who-

served in the struggle, which are probably as correct as it is possible to make them.

Nor is Mr. Bodge's judgment any less entitled to confidence and respect. His opinion in regard to the policy of burning the wigwams in the great Swamp Fight is one that will meet the concurrence of all who examine well the exigencies of the situation.

Mr. Bodge's history is one that should be widely read, and should be owned by every person having an interest in the early colonial contests. It is neatly printed and bound, and is a very valuable addition to our early colonial histories.

By O. B. Stebbins, Esq., of South Boston.

Redenhall with Harleston, Norfolk, England. By CHARLES CANDLER. Norwich: William Jarrold & Son. 1896. Crown 8vo. Price 5 shillings. Address the publishers, Norwich, England.

The labors of the local antiquary need no set eulogy. Each town, "to them that dwell therein well known," is, of course, well pleased at the mention of the familiar nooks and corners which form its quaintly irregular configuration, and in an old country the traveller cannot go far without coming on the traces of some character of more than local importance. It is true that the special group of villages, Redenhall, Harleston, Wortwell, now parochially welded together, have not revealed to their historian any name of the first or second magnitude; but Mr. Candler's patient and intelligent investigation of the records of his native place deserves to be known beyond local boundaries, and will doubtless be acceptable to many a New England reader, sprung, perchance, from one or other of those who "served their generation by the will of God," and have left these scanty vestiges of what was done in their days. The illustration of Redenhall Church, which forms the frontispiece, is a remarkably good representation of a typical East Anglian tower of a high order of excellence. None but those who have seen with their own eyes the beauty of the flint-and-stone work can fully appreciate it. The indurate flint, squared and smoothed, forms the panel of the pattern, and the ashlar sides are flush with it. Thus, as it were, the eye gets the pleasure of light and shade, even when the sun is beclouded. The name of Redenhall seems to originate with the ante-conquestal proprietor, Rada. As we follow the chronicle, the development of the parochial history is brought into daylight, step by step. From the pretty river Waverey we pass to the Domesday Record, to the Church, the Rectory and Rectors, with notices of the history of the benefice at the time of the Black Death in 1349, and its relation to the Nunnery of Bungay. Among the names of Rectors appear Miles Spencer, LL.D., of rapacious celebrity; John Salisbury, sometime Suffragan Bishop of Thetford, and afterwards Bishop of Sodor and Man; the Huguenot Pierre de Laune, S.T.P.; William Tanner, brother of the well known antiquary, Thomas; Henry Stebbing, D.D., the pluralist whose rebuke at the hands of the deist Chubb is recorded; John Oldershaw, the only Senior Wrangler of whom Emmanuel College can boast; and the late Archdeacon Ormerod, a laborer in many fields of learning.

Then come the Churchwardens, with their accounts, as well as those of the Overseers and the Surveyors of Highways, and the Briefs, notes of moneys collected from time to time in obedience to Royal Letters. As may be expected, these often present matters of more than local interest, as in 1634, £2 6. 6 for the repair of St. Paul's Cathedral, after the old spire had been ruined by fire more than sixty years back; in 1642, £49. 9 for the dispersed protestants in Ulster; and in 1691 £2. 1 for Teignmouth, burnt by Admiral Tourville after the Beachy Head business.

A practical ringer, as Mr. Candler is, would be sure not to omit the Bells which have, as usual, on them many instructive signs and inscriptions. Then after noticing the Church Goods and Plate, the old Chapel of S. John the Baptist in Harleston, and some of the old houses, he draws to an end with a sketch of a local antiquary of past days, Edmund Gillingwater, the historian of Lowestoft and of Bury St. Edmund's.

Among surnames of East Anglian and New England interest are Damatt, Frere, Fuller, Hobbard, Jermyn, Kent, Mathews, Pratt, Tompson, Vince (Samuel, Professor of astronomy at Cambridge, son of a Fressingfield bricklayer), Warren and Wogan.

By the Rev. J. J. Raven, D.D., Vicar of Fressingfield, England.

Nathaniel Massie, a Pioneer of Ohio. A Sketch of His Life and Selections from His Correspondence. By DAVID MEADE MASSIE. Cincinnati: The Robert Clarke Company. 1896. 8vo. pp. 285.

This work shows the results of pains-taking research, and is marked by careful and orderly arrangement of the facts obtained. The book opens with a delightful picture of colonial life in Old Virginia, and in Kentucky, the New Virginia. Then follows an interesting and valuable sketch of what was known as the North-West Territory, or more particularly of the eastern section, Ohio. The Virginians under Gen. George R. Clark captured this immense territory (including what are now the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin), from Great Britain in 1778.

If New England furnished her quota of men to found the settlements of the Ohio Company, and the Middle States that of Symmes's Purchase, the Old Dominion was not behind in sending out men to open up and develop the large region comprising one sixth of what is now the State of Ohio, called the Virginia Military District. When Virginia (and three other of the original States) ceded their claims to the North-West Territory to the United States in 1783, she reserved a certain tract of land as bounty lands for her soldiers who had served in the American army during the Revolutionary War. Then follows an intensely interesting account of the life of Nathaniel Massie, one of the earliest pioneers in the Virginia Military District, who went there as a surveyor to locate claims in this almost unbroken wilderness. He not only founded Manchester and Chillicothe, but also several other places, some fourteen in all. Besides his life as a surveyor, real estate dealer and trader, he was actively engaged in politics (in opposition to Gen. St. Clair, the rather extreme federalist governor of the territory), and probably did more than any other man to prevent the dismemberment of Ohio and to bring it into the sisterhood of states. The last part of this valuable work is made up of letters written or received by Nathaniel Massie. While not in the exact sense of the word history, perhaps no other method of historical portraiture so brings us into the atmosphere of the past, so enables us to regard the events as they passed quickly in review in the same light in which the actors viewed them. By this means many vivid flashes of light are cast upon the stage and the actors upon the stage in the ever unfolding, ever absorbing drama of human life. As students of the past we may draw fruitful lessons from the rich experiences of those who have gone before us, of those who have lived and wrought in their day and generation. And in the labors and struggles of the past we may ever see the onward and upward march of human events, we may ever see the directing hand of Divine Providence ever shaping in a truer and grander way the destinies of the life that now is, ever fitting it for that which is to be in the New Jerusalem, the City of God.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

The Register Book of the Lands and Houses in the "New Towne" and The Town of Cambridge, with the Records of the Proprietors of the Common Lands, being the records generally called "The Proprietors' Records." Printed by order of the City Council, under the direction of the City Clerk. Cambridge. 1896. 4to. pp. ix.+413.

The Record of Births, Marriages and Deaths and Intentions of Marriage, in the Town of Stoughton from 1727 to 1800, and in the Town of Canton from 1797 to 1845, preceded by the Records of the South Precinct of Dorchester from 1715 to 1727. Edited by FREDERIC ENDICOTT, Secretary of the Canton Historical Society, and member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society. Canton, Mass.: Printed by William Bense. 1896. 8vo. pp. vii.+317. [Price, $2.00.]

The Early Records of the Town of Lunenburg, Massachusetts, including that part which is now Fitchburg, 1719–1764. A complete transcript of the Town Meetings and Selectmen's Records contained in the first two books of the general records of the Town. Also a copy of all the Vital Statistics of the Town previous to the year 1764. Compiled by WALTER A. DAVIS, City Clerk. Fitchburg. Published by authority of the City Council. 1896. 8vo. pp. 384. [Only two hundred copies printed.]

First Book of Records of the Town of Pepperrellborough, now the City of Saco. Printed by vote of the City Council, March 18, 1895. Portland, Maine: The Thurston Print. 1896. 8vo. pp. 299. [400 copies printed.]

To one who often has occasion to consult the local records in various parts of New England, there comes a keen realization of the dangers to which many of these precious documents are exposed. The rapidly increasing interest in the preservation of such of our early annals as have survived the ravages of time is a source of extreme gratification to the genealogist and the antiquary. As a result of this interest there are now in print more than one hundred volumes of the early local records of New England.

Among the contributions of the year 1896, the Proprietors' Records, issued by the city of Cambridge, is a notable work. It is the first volume of a proposed series. The copy was prepared from the original by Miss Sarah S. Jacobs, largely as a labor of love. No words are too strong in recommendation of the care that has been bestowed in making this transcript and in comparing the proofs with the original record "in order that not a letter or punctuation mark should differ from the original manuscript." The City Clerk, Mr. Edward J. Brandon, certifies that it is a true and complete copy of all the records known as the Proprietors' Records. The book is a superb piece of work, from the well known University Press, and compares favorably with the best volumes of local records hitherto issued. It can be obtained from the City Clerk by exchange of similar works.

Canton, the "Ponkapoag Plantation" of John Eliot, had an able historian in the late Daniel T. V. Huntoon, but he died before his work was finished, and his history as published by the town is deficient in genealogical matter. Unfortunately the early church records have been lost, but by using volume twenty-one of the Boston Record Commissioners' Reports and the present volume of Vital Statistics, most of the Canton families can be traced. Mr. Endicott has produced a very creditable volume, and one that will be much used.

The title gives a clear idea of the contents of the third book on this list. The Fitchburg Historical Society has received a substantial response to its petition, seeking action from the City Council for the preservation of the early Fitchburg records and of such of the Lunenburg records as relate to Fitchburg. May many other local historical societies accomplish as much. This is a durable and attractive volume, and gives evidence of considerable attention to the art of good book-making.

Saco has the distinction of being the first municipality in Maine to publish a volume of its early records. The records of the Proprietors of Narraganset Township, No. 1 (Buxton), the only volume issued at an earlier date, were privately printed. The present city of Saco comprises that portion of Biddeford which was set off in 1762 under the name of Pepperrellborough. The name was changed to Saco in 1805. This book contains the vital statistics of the town prior to 1840. G.

Cambridge, Mass.

The Life, Public Services, Addresses and Letters of Elias Boudinot, LL.D., President of the Continental Congress. Edited by J. J. BOUDINOT, Member of the New Jersey Historical Society. In two volumes. Boston and New York. Houghton, Mifflin & Company. The Riverside Press, Cambridge. 1896. 8vo. pp. xvii.+419; vii.+415. Price $6.00 *net.*

Elias Boudinot, the great-grandson of a prominent and influential Huguenot (Elie Boudinot) who settled in New York about 1687, was born April 21, 1740. He was a leading lawyer, an active participant in the Revolution from its inception, commissary general of prisoners, a New Jersey member of the Continental Congress for several years, President of Congress when the treaty of peace with Great Britain was concluded in 1783, was a member of the first Federal Congress, Director of the Mint, 1795-1805; founder and first president of the American Bible Society, and active in other philanthropic movements; married a sister of Richard Stockton (signer of the Declaration of Independence), who married a sister of Boudinot in turn. The life of such a man, extending from 1740 to 1821, over one of the most eventful periods of American history, naturally presents an attractive theme for the biographer. But in these two handsome volumes his talented kinswoman has given us more than a biography. In the simplest, most unpretending style, she has set forth a mass of material, for

the most part hitherto unpublished, and practically unknown to students, of the greatest interest for the contemporary light it throws on the chief actors and events of that formative epoch in our country's annals. Here we have letters and documents, the correspondence of Boudinot with Washington, Franklin, Livingston, army officers, representatives of foreign governments, and—of especial value, for its unrestrained confidences—with his wife, reflecting the opinions of the hour on the momentous transactions of the time. His "Reminiscences," written at a later day, and here first printed, possess a curious interest for the remarkable, not to say extraordinary criticisms they contain on the Count de Grasse's conduct at Yorktown, and on other prominent men in the Revolution. The very indiscretion of these candid relations is not their least valuable and entertaining feature. Boudinot was a man of strong individuality, a shrewd observer, thoroughly alive to what was going on about him, as the extracts from his letter-books and correspondence show. Miss Boudinot has done a real service to American history by permitting the public to share her rich treasures of family papers, in these attractive volumes.

By William Nelson, A.M., Paterson, N. J.

Annals of King's Chapel, from the Puritan Age of New England to the Present Time. By HENRY WILDER FOOTE. In two volumes. Volume II. Boston: Little, Brown & Company. 1896. 8vo. pp. xxvi.+690. Price $5, or $10 for the set.

The late Rev. Henry W. Foote, pastor of the King's Chapel, delivered many years ago a series of lectures on the history of the church over which he had been settled in 1861. He was requested to furnish a copy for the press; but instead of complying with the request of the parish, he decided to continue his researches and make them the basis of a full history of the Chapel. The first volume, making nearly six hundred octavo pages, and bringing the history down to the year 1747, was issued on Forefathers' Day, 1881, and was noticed in the REGISTER for April, 1882, pp. 217–18. He continued his work till his death, May 29, 1889, and before he died had finished the first hundred and ninety-one pages of this volume, and had written other matter which is here printed in an appendix.

After Rev. Mr. Foote's death, Mr. Henry Herbert Edes was invited to take the materials left by the lamented author and finish the work. This he consented to do in the autumn of 1889. A mass of material for the remaining chapters was placed in his hands, and the editor tells us that "the mere classification and arrangement of it involved a great expenditure of time." Among this material—chiefly composed of extracts from manuscripts or printed documents, early newspapers and standard publications—was more or less of Mr. Foote's own manuscript, dealing with topics falling within the scope of the unwritten chapters. "It has been the editor's constant aim," continues Mr. Edes, "to incorporate as much of this manuscript as possible, adapting some portions that were written in the form of discourse. He has also striven to follow as closely as possible the general style and plan which Mr. Foote had adopted for the work, and to interpret faithfully the notes and suggestions of the author as to that part of the volume which he did not live to complete. This has occasioned some protracted research, which in itself has considerably delayed the progress."

Mr. Foote "left a pencilled list of proposed headings for the chapters of this volume, which has been followed as closely as was practicable. Only one chapter, that on 'The Unitarian Movement,' has been excluded, as the subject has recently been so admirably treated by the Rev. Joseph Henry Allen, D.D., that had his work appeared in Mr. Foote's lifetime, it would undoubtedly have forestalled any attempt to discuss it further in these pages."

Mr. Edes has performed his work in a thorough manner, and has completed the History of King's Chapel in a way that would have met with the approval of Mr. Foote. The new matter is well written, and the editorial work is thoroughly done. A memoir of Mr. Foote, by Hon. Winslow Warren, is appended. Other appendixes preserve important articles relating to the church. There is a list of "the Proprietors of the First Chapel prior to 1754, compiled from the Ledger," and another list of "Proprietors of Pews since the present Chapel was opened for worship, August 31, 1754." Other lists are of Ministers, Wardens and Vestrymen.

There is much biographical as well as historical matter in this volume. The book is illustrated with many fine portraits of distinguished men, besides engravings. The index is remarkably full, and much time has been spent in identifying the persons named in the volume, and obtaining their full names for the index.

Austerfield: The Cradle of the Pilgrim Fathers. An Appeal to the American People. Doncaster, England. 1896. 8vo. pp. 11.

This illustrated pamphlet has been issued by the Vicar and Churchwardens to awaken an interest in the proposed restoration of St. Helen's Church, Austerfield, and to raise the necessary funds for the work.

The church was built more than seven hundred years ago by John de Builli, one of the Conqueror's followers. It was in this ancient structure that Gov. William Bradford was baptized on the 19th of March, 1589.

After having "pretty well relieved all the charitable persons in the neighborhood of their spare cash" this appeal to the public is made. The appeal is not limited "to the British public alone, but extended to all American friends who wish to preserve an ancient monument so closely connected with their nation's history." Prior to November 16, 1896, the following persons in this vicinity have made substantial contributions to this worthy object: Mrs. Edward A. Bangs, Mrs. George Baty Blake, Dr. Edward H. Bradford, Samuel Eliot, Esq., Dr. Reynolds and Hon. Louis C. Southard of Boston, Miss Adéle G. Thayer of Brookline, and Peter Chardon Brooks of Medford.

Remittances should be made payable to "The Austerfield Church Restoration Fund," and should be sent to the Honorary Secretary, Mr. John Walker, Bawtry, Yorkshire, England. A Boston committee to assist in the work of raising funds is very much desired.

By W. P. Greenlaw.

Lunenburg, or the Old Eastern District, Its Settlement and Early Progress: with Personal Recollections of the Town of Cornwall from 1824: To which are added A History of the King's Royal Regiment of New York and Other Corps; The Names of all those who Drew Lands in the Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, up to November, 1786; and Several Other Lists of Interest to the Descendants of the Old Settlers. By J. F. PRINGLE, Judge County Court. Cornwall: Published by the Standard Printing House. 1890. 8vo. pp. 423.

The early and later history of Canada is not without interest. The new life of a century ago was caused by the settlement therein of people and soldiers loyal to the King. The history of Canada *ante* 1775, its battlefields and victories for great principles, is a common inheritance. The Revolution was at the parting of the ways. Lunenburg or the Old Eastern District, at present the united Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, was a portion of that region rapidly peopled at the close of the Revolution. Much of its excellent life came from the States; likewise much from the hardy Rangers. Cornwall was settled in 1776. This volume contains the story of the settlers and their descendants. Judge Pringle has shown himself a worthy writer of the founders of the Old Eastern District. His thirty-seven chapters of valuable history and reminiscence evidence that other worthy words could be written, and that Judge Pringle is the man equipped to do this reverent service. The story of the war of 1812 and the rebellion of 1838 is briefly told. This volume should be a forerunner. In future volumes local maps and individual indices would prove of large value.

By Rev. Anson Titus, Somerville, Mass.

Collections of the New York Historical Society for the Year 1886. Publication Fund. New York: Printed for the Society. Deane Papers:—1886, Vol. 1. 1774-1777, pp. 466+14. 1887, Vol. 2, 1777-1778, pp. 499. 1888, Vol. 3, 1778-1779, pp. 490. 1889, Vol. 1, 1779-1781, pp. 561. 1890, Vol. 5, 1782-1790, pp. 692.

These five volumes contain a vast amount of historical material, and comprise letters and state papers written by Silas Deane, Benjamin Franklin, Robert Morris and many other prominent men in the colonies and in France, although those written by Mr. Deane make up the major part of the work and constitute

an enduring monument to his untiring application and indefatigable industry. He was a man of brilliant intellect, a born chronicler of events, indeed nothing seems to have escaped his vigilant eye. He graduated at Yale College, and was admitted to the bar, but he soon after settled in Wethersfield, near Hartford, and entered into the West India trade. It is probable that the experience which he acquired during his ten years or so of life as a merchant (combined with the exercise of accurate and exact business habits) contributed largely toward making him the man of affairs that he was, and fitted him for a wider field of usefulness. During his service for nearly two years as a delegate from Connecticut to the Continental Congress he wrote many letters containing picturesque and vivid accounts of the colonial life of the day, especially of the life of the delegates in Philadelphia. His life there was no sinecure. The sessions of Congress lasted throughout the day, beginning sometimes very early in the morning. Mr. Deane also served on many important committees which took most of his evenings as well. One of the interesting features of his letters of this period are the pen portraits which he gives in miniature of Washington, Randolph, Harrison, Lee, &c. Perhaps the most important work he accomplished during his term of service was the active part he took in planning for the capture of Ticonderoga. He with a few others gave their notes for the money necessary to equip the expedition. On March 1, 1776, he was appointed by the Committee of Secresy of Congress (virtually the Department of State), consisting of Samuel Ward, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas McKean, Joseph Hewes, Josiah Bartlett and Robert Alexander, as agent to the French government to see about obtaining war supplies for the colonies. Soon after receiving his commission he set sail for Bordeaux and travelled from thence to Paris. It is probable that there was no man in Congress better fitted to undertake this delicate and important mission. He united tact with great assiduity and application in the discharge of the difficult task with which he was intrusted. The Colonies were almost destitute of war material of all kinds, but Deane by his address managed to obtain a large number of cannon and muskets, sufficient to equip an army of twenty-five thousand men, on an extended term of credit. He was also influential in inducing Lafayette and many other French officers of distinction to accept commissions in the American army. Although immense sums of money passed through his hands he died a poor man.

By Rev. Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

Hubbard's Ancestral Register. By FANNIE WILDER BROWN. 1896. Broadside, 24 by 19 inches.

With numbered spaces for the names of eight generations, distinctly and ornamentally engraved, of size and material suitable for framing, this Register should prove a favorite with the increasing multitude of recorders of ancestry.

By F. W. Parke.

Hosea Ballou, 2d, D.D., First President of Tufts College: His Origin, Life and Letters. By HOSEA STARR BALLOU. Member of Rhode Island Historical Society, Virginia Historical Society, New-England Historic Genealogical Society, and Société de l'Histoire du Protestantisme Français. Boston: E. P. Guild & Company. 1896. 8vo. pp. 312. 52 illustrations.

A biography should possess several essentials. A good subject, strong contemporaries, stirring times, a quick and ready interpreter of the man and his surroundings, and a free and facile pen to properly place and balance the character, environment and every attending influence. Hosea Ballou 2d was born October 18, 1796, and died May 27, 1861. From slightest opportunities he rose by untiring study to foremost rank in scholarship. He was the first president of Tufts College. He began his theological studies with his uncle, "Father" Hosea Ballou. He had pastoral settlements at Stafford, Conn., Roxbury and Medford. He was inaugurated president of Tufts College in 1855, and during its early, trying years labored hard to give it a sure foundation. Doctor Ballou from 1842 to 1858 was one of the overseers of Harvard University. His literature beside his "Ancient History of Universalism" for most part is in the volumes of the "Universalist Quarterly," of which for many years he was editor. The author of this biography, a nephew, has eminently filled the requirements of a biographer. The life story of this eminent man makes plain the movements in the 19th century religious life.

By Rev. Anson Titus, Somerville, Mass.

History of Francestown, N. H. From its Earliest Settlement, April 1758, to January 1, 1891, with a brief Genealogical Record of all the Francestown Families. By REV. W. R. COCHRANE, of Antrim, N. H., and GEORGE K. WOOD, of Francestown. Published by the Town. Nashua, N. H.: 1895. 8vo. pp.4+1016+xv. Illus. Map.

It is seldom that the writer of a Town-history so steadily lures on the reader from page to page, investing with the interest of a story the record in the compilation of whose documentary details so much labor and pains are seen to be involved. The adventurous, intrepid and enterprising Scotch settlers of Francestown are amply and judiciously characterized, the "things discreditable" which the author frankly acknowledges having omitted being conjecturally such as would add still greater liveliness to a portraiture that does not in the least suffer from Mr. Cochrane's humorous exhibition of the frailties of his heroes. "Tything-men," "wolf-years," "Tory-visitations," "drinks," "dark days," and other similarly picturesque passages may be considered as the sparkling foam on the tide of accumulated facts comprised in an exhaustive civil, ecclesiastical and military history of the town.

As the annals of Francestown are presented with admirable fulness and accuracy in the first part of the book, it being difficult to imagine any particulars, either entertaining or important, as having been overlooked; so, in the second part, there is afforded a Genealogical Record of more than 500 pages whose merits will indefinitely increase the value of the work, based as the Record is on a method of the most convenient and comprehensive sort, and therefore certain to add tenfold usefulness to the volume. Mr. Wood's contribution gives to the book a distinguished place on the list of New Hampshire Town-histories which, in respect to their genealogical features, are second only to those of Massachusetts.

By Frederick W. Parke.

Report of the Committee on Louisburg Memorial. Society of Colonial Wars. New York. 1896. 8vo. pp. lxi. Frontispiece, Plan of the Town and Harbor of Louisburg (Fac simile from the New York Weekly Post Boy, June 10, 1745).

Daintily clothed in crimson and white, this little volume at once appeals to the reader's eye. But more than this. There is not a dry page from cover to cover. The romantic tale of the capture of this "Dunkirk of America" by the hardy yeomanry of New England appeals to every patriotic heart. The "mad scheme" (as Parkman styles it) astonished the world with its success. Most assuredly, then, the dauntless heroism of our patriot sires, who feared not to attempt the impossible, merits the polished granite shaft of Roman Tuscan order, erected by the Society of Colonial Wars, and unveiled with impressive ceremonies, June 17, 1895, of which dedication this book is a succinct and interesting record.

By Rev. Charles E. Beals, East Boston.

Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War. A Compilation from the Archives, Prepared and Published by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, in accordance with Chapter 100, Resolves of 1891. Boston: Wright & Potter Printing Co., State Printers, 18 Post Office Square. 1896. 4to. Cloth. Pp. xxxix+1000. Vol. I, A—Ber.

The Old Bay State honors herself in issuing such a book as this. The one thousand closely printed pages of the first volume are a veritable mine of authoritative historical data, and the patriotic public will await with impatience the completion of this monumental set.

Perhaps the uninitiated will be assisted to appreciate the colossal magnitude of the task of compiling this work by the facts stated by Secretary Olin in the Preface. The compilation involves the critical examination, as well as the most careful and exhaustive indexing, of ninety-seven ponderous tomes of original records, consisting of rolls, orders, receipts, continental regiment books, pay accounts, company and regimental returns, description lists, orderly books and miscellaneous papers. This monster, chaotic mass of information was reduced to system by means of the card record index, comprising six hundred and twenty thousand cards. From this index the printer's copy is prepared, and the personal war records in the published volumes are arranged alphabetically.

In crediting service to any individual, no attempt has been made to force identification. The records are simply printed as they exist, whenever there is the slightest doubt as to the identification of an individual, without attempting any investigation.

It is to be regretted that the naval records, as they have come down to us, are so meagre as compared with the military. A great part of the naval service was performed by privateers; hence the paucity of the records.

In an introduction of about thirty pages, Mr. James J. Tracy, chief of the Archives Division, who has had immediate charge of the entire work of compilation, lucidly and faithfully sets forth the Revolutionary War Legislation of the Province and Commonwealth. That the acknowledgment, made by the Secretary of State, of the intelligent and painstaking manner in which the duty has been peformed, is well merited, will be appreciated by all who have ever had occasion to consult the Chief of the Archives or his corps of efficient assistants.

The choice of binding was a happy one. Rich in its substantial simplicity and bearing the state seal, the mechanical make-up of the book is an ideal one —a fitting setting for a priceless gem, and this book is worthy of becoming an heir-loom in every family whose progenitors fought or bled for the independence of the American republic.

By Rev. Charles E. Beals, East Boston.

Historical Sketch and Centennial Anniversary of Washington Lodge A. F. and A. M. Roxbury, Mass., 1796-1896. Roxbury: Published by the Lodge, 1896. 1 Vol. 8vo. Pp. 255.

This handsome volume from the press of S. J. Parkhill & Co., Boston, with insets from the Heliotype Printing Co., is a gratifying evidence of the prosperity of the ancient order of Freemasons in Roxbury. Historically, the book possesses real interest in a fac simile of the original charter signed by Paul Revere, then Grand Master, and by Isaiah Thomas, the Senior Grand Warden, by Joseph Laughton, the Junior Grand Warden, and by Daniel Oliver, the Grand Secretary in 1796. In addition, the restoration is attested by S. W. Robinson, the Grand Master, and Charles W. Moore, the Grand Secretary in 1846. This was the thirteenth masonic lodge in Massachusetts, in order of charter, and it participated in the public honors paid to the memory of Gen. Washington, in June, 1800. The annals of the lodge, a list of officers, another of members, chronologically and alphabetically arranged, and the proceedings of the centennial celebration, 17 March 1896, comprise a worthy quantity of valuable matter. The historical address at the centennial by the Grand Secretary, Sereno D. Nickerson, A.M., is especially commendable in its clear presentation of events, important not only to the Fraternity but also to the general public. The illustrations of the volume are of high order, and present phototypes of Hon. Ebenezer Seaver, the first master of the lodge, and many of his successors, a view of the house in which the lodge held its first meetings, of the interior of its present lodge room, and cuts of the centennial medals and the seal of the lodge.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Governor Edward Winslow: His part and place in the Plymouth Colony. By Rev. Wm. Copley Winslow. Reprinted from the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. July, 1896. 8vo. pp. 11. Portraits.

Prudence, valor, enterprise, piety,—if the greatest of these be enterprise, then is Edward Winslow to be accounted the greatest of the four great leaders of the Plymouth Colony, viz.: Bradford, Standish, Winslow and Brewster; but, since these four virtues are of equal excellence, therefore the four men are to be regarded as peers. Such is the contention of the author of this article whose object is to prove this equality of merit with respect to Gov. Edward Winslow, illustrating the point by a few events in his career, principally diplomatic and gubernatorial. The weightiest testimony to the illustrious services of Winslow contained in the paper is adduced, as a note, in the page of extracts from the "Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, 1574-1600." This record, together with the various other transactions presented in outline, confirms the view of the writer, implying the prominence which he so fervently, but candidly, maintains.

By Frederick W. Parke.

Genealogy of the Hamilton Family, from 1716 to 1894. By SALOME HAMILTON. Faribault, Minn. 1 vol. 8vo. pp. 133+vi. Price $2.

The title is slightly misleading, as no pretension is made to chronicle all the Hamiltons. It is a conscientious and successful attempt to record the descendants, for seven generations, of James Hamilton, a Scotch-Irishman, who came to Massachusetts, with his family, previous to 1720, and settled in Worcester county. It is a valuable addition to the present stock of published genealogies and deserves hearty commendation. Its chief deficiency is the absence of an index.

Allusion is made to John Hamilton, possibly a brother to James, and a single line of his descendants to the third generation, and five generations of Josiah Hamilton, perhaps a son of this brother John, both of which lines, found among the Scotch pioneers of western Worcester, are given in this little volume, which will repay the careful study of those interested in the Hamiltons in America.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M.

Cushing's Indexed Genealogical Register of Ten Generations of Ancestors. Working Edition. Boston. W. H. Halliday. 1896. 4to., 35 sheets. Price $1.

Bowman's Ancestral Charts. No. 1. Copyrighted 1896, by GEORGE ERNEST BOWMAN. Boston, Mass. 17 charts. Price 50 cts. Single charts, 5 cts.

In the REGISTER of October, 1895, will be found a minutely descriptive notice of the superior work an edition of which has now been published, designed for aid in the labor of compiling genealogical data, and is before us. It is in every respect most admirably adapted to this purpose, as it is portable—being easily converted into a roll—and of convenient size, the sheets possessing a durability equalled by their other serviceable qualities.

The next work, Mr. Bowman's charts, exhibit an ideal simplicity, furnishing at a price which may almost be termed gratis a form for registering births, marriages, deaths and residences, which for either temporary or permanent record will be found well-nigh indispensable by those who have once made use of it.

By Frederick W. Parke, Esq., of Boston.

The Puritan in England and New England. By EZRA HOYT BYINGTON, D.D., member of the American Society of Church History. Boston: Roberts Brothers. 1896. Sm. 8vo., pp. xl.+406. Price $2.

As a result of very wide reading and study of books and documents, Dr. Byington has produced an exceedingly valuable volume. It is not cyclopedic, covering the whole field of Puritan biography, a work of reference for all coming students; nor is it a comprehensive survey of the whole field with generalizations, indispensable for philosophical students of the Puritan in history. But it is a collection of many extremely interesting facts, some of them never so fully or so effectively told before; and it contains numerous essays—so to speak—on various phases of the inner character and outer phenomena of Puritans, from the middle of the sixteenth century to the birth of our republic; essays finely thought out and finely expressed.

Those who are best informed on the subject will keenly relish this contribution to its literature; and one who reads this volume only will receive healthy, reasonable and vivid impressions of the founders of New England.

By the Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Cambridge, Mass.

Register of the District of Columbia Sons of the American Revolution, 1896. WILLIAM J. RHEES, Compiler and Editor. Printed for the Society, in the One Hundred and Twentieth Year of the Independence of the United States of America. Press of W. F. Roberts, Washington, D. C. 4to. pp. xxix+272. Frontispiece, Portrait of the late G. Brown Goode, Ph.D., M.D., President of the District of Columbia Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

Resplendent in silver, blue and white, and wearing the badge of the society, this volume contains not only a membership list, but also the constitution, by-laws, personnel of the officiary and committees, necrology and lineage of members of the society. If this excellent organization, and all other kindred hereditary patriotic associations, shall accomplish nothing more than the compiling and placing on record of such invaluable facts as are herein contained, no other

apology for their existence is necessary. All book users will delight in the accurate and exhaustive index appended to this volume.
By Rev. Charles E. Beals, East Boston.

The Choates in America, 1643-1896. John Choate and his Descendants, Chebacco, Ipswich, Mass. Illustrated. By E. O. JAMESON. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son, Printers. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. xvi+458. Price $7. Address Rev. E. O. Jameson, 49 Hancock Street, Boston.

The Ashley Genealogy. History of the Descendants of Robert Ashley of Springfield, Massachusetts. By FRANCIS BACON TROWBRIDGE. New Haven: Printed for the Author. 1896. 8vo. pp. 471. Price $3. Address the Author, P. O. Box 1606, New Haven, Conn.

Autobiographical Reminiscences of Rev. Alvan Bond, D.D., 1793-1882. Funeral Sermons and Notices. Ancestry and Descendants. New York: Privately printed. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. xiii+189+12. Edition 35 copies.

The Thomas Book, giving the Genealogies of Sir Rhys ap Thomas K. G., the Thomas Family descended from him and some Allied Families. By LAWRENCE BUCKLEY THOMAS, D.D. Imprinted at New York City by the Henry T. Thomas Company. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. xxi+625. Price $7.50, large paper $15.00. Address H. T. Thomas Company, 31 East 17th Street, New York.

Fiske and Fisk Family, being the Record of the Descendants of Symond Fiske, Lord of the Manor of Stadhaugh, Suffolk County, England, from the Time of Henry IV. to Date, including all the American Members of the Family. By FREDERICK CLIFTON PIERCE, author of the Histories of Grafton and Barre, Mass., and Gibson, Harwood, Pierce, Peirce, Pearce, Forbes, Forbush and Whitney Genealogies. * * * Published by the Author. Chicago, Ill.: 1896. 4to. pp. 654.

The Genealogical Registry of the Butters Family, including the Descendants of William Butters of Woburn, Mass. 1665. By GEORGE BUTTERS, Oak Park, Ill. Chicago: DAVID OLIPHANT, Printer, 1896. 8vo. pp. 10+466.

Genealogy of the Greenleaf Family. Compiled by JAMES EDWARD GREENLEAF. Boston: Frank Wood, Printer. 1896. 8vo. pp. xi+553. Limited edition. Price $7.50. Address J. E. Greenleaf, 53 High Street, Charlestown, Mass.

History of the Sinclair Family in Europe and America for Eleven Hundred Years. By LEONARD ALLISON MORRISON, A.M., of Windham, N. H. Boston, Mass.: Published by Damrell & Upham. 1896. 8vo. pp. 453. Price $3. Address the Author, Canobie Lake, N. H., or the Publishers, Boston, Mass.

Memorial of the Family of Morse. Compiled from the Original Records for the Hon. Asa Porter Morse, by HENRY DUTCH LORD. For Private Distribution only. Cambridgeport, Mass.: Harvard Printing Company. 1896. 8vo. pp. 112+380+xi.

A Peters Lineage. Five Generations of the Descendants of Dr. Charles Peters of Hempstead. Compiled by MARTHA BOCKEE FLINT. Address the Editor, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Memorial: Genealogical, Historical and Biographical of Solomon Leonard, 1637, of Duxbury and Bridgewater, Mass., and Some of His Descendants. By MANNING LEONARD. Southbridge, Mass. 8vo. pp. 152+2. Price $4. Address, Miss A. R. Leonard, 5 Chestnut Street, Boston, Mass.

Ancestral Chronological Record of the William White Family, from 1607-8 to 1895. Concord: Printed by the Republican Press Association. 1895.

A Genealogical History of the Descendants of Stephen and Ursula Streeter of Gloucester, Mass., 1642, and afterwards of Charlestown, Mass, 1644-1652, with an account of the Streeters of Goudherst, Kent, England. By MILFORD B. STREETER, Brooklyn, N. Y. Salem, Mass.: Eben Putnam, Publisher. 1896. 8vo. pp. xxxvii.+323.

The History and Genealogy of the Colegrove Family in America, with Biographical Sketches, Portraits, etc. By WILLIAM COLEGROVE, D.D., LL.D. Chicago, Ill.: Published by the Author. 1894. 12mo. pp. 792.

Gifford Genealogy, 1826-1896. By HARRY E. GIFFORD. 8vo. pp. vii.+100. Price $2. Address, H. E. Gifford, Wollaston, Mass.

A Genealogical History of the Harwood Families descended from Andrew Harwood, who was born in England and resided in Boston, Mass. By WATSON H. HARWOOD. Second Edition. Chasm Falls, N. Y. 1890. 8m. 8vo. pp. 91+ 10. Price $2.50. Address, W. H. Harwood, Chasm Falls, N. Y.

An Account of the Descendants of Thomas Orton, Windsor, Connecticut, 1641. Principally in the Male Line. By EDWARD ORTON, LL.D. Columbus, Ohio: Press of Nitschke Brothers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 220. Price $2. Address, Prof. Edward Orton, No. 100 Twentieth St., Columbus, O.

Swain and Allied Families, including Tilley, Howland, Chipman, Hale, Barrett, Gilbert, Fox, Brayton, Egerton, Huntington, St. John, Reyes. Compiled by WILLIAM C. SWAIN. Milwaukee, Wis.: Press of Swain & Tate Company. 1896. 8vo. Address, William C. Swain, Milwaukee, Wis.

A Record of the Descendants of Richard Hull of New Haven, Conn. Compiled by PUELLA FOLLETT (HULL) MASON. Milwaukee, Wis. August, 1894. 8vo. pp. 154, or 78 leaves. Price $1.25. Address, Mrs. William L. Mason, 212 Masonic Building, Milwaukee, Wis.

History and Genealogy of Samuel Clark, Sr., and his Descendants, from 1636–1892, 256 Years. By Rev. EDGAR W. CLARK. Pana, Ill. Second Edition. St. Louis, Mo.: Nixon Jones Printing Co. April, 1892. 8vo. pp. 122.

Record of the Pynchon Family, England and America. Compiled by Dr. J. C. PYNCHON. Springfield, Mass.: Press of Springfield Printing and Binding Company. 1894. 8vo. pp. 22.

Descendants of Rufus and Pamela (Throop) Thayer, with some little Account of their Ancestry. Compiled and Arranged for George Thayer. By CLARENCE E. PEIRCE. Pawtuckct, R. I.: The Adam Sutcliffe Co., Printers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 69.

The Townsends. Compiled by MALCOLM TOWNSEND, of New York, N. Y. Sq. 16 mo.

Major John Lillie, 1755. The Lillie Family of Boston, 1663–1896. By EDWARD LILLIE PIERCE. Cambridge: John Wilson & Son, University Press. 1896. 8vo. pp. 122. Paper. Price $2. Issued in August, 1896. A revised edition in cloth issued in December, 1896. Price $3.

The Diary of the Rev. Daniel Fuller, with his Account of his Family and Other Matters, Written at Gloucester in Massachusetts circa 1775. Edited by his grandson, DANIEL FULLER APPLETON. One hundred copies imprinted for private distribution at the De Vinne Press, No. 12 Lafayette Place, in the city of New York. 1894. Crown 4to. pp. 49.

Genealogy of the Steiner Family, especially of the Descendants of Jacob Steiner. By LEWIS H. STEINER, M.D., and BERNARD C. STEINER, Ph.D. Baltimore. Press of Friendenwald Co. 1896. 8vo. pp. 103.

The Roberts Family of Simsbury, Connecticut, in the Line of Capt. Lemuel Roberts, 1742–1789. Compiled by FRANK FARNSWORTH STARR for JAMES G. GOODWIN. Hartford, Conn. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 54.

The Genealogy of Thomas[4] Ruggles of Roxbury, 1637, to Thomas[9] Ruggles of Pomfret, Conn.; . . . of Alitheah Smith, wife of Thomas[9] Ruggles; . . . of Samuel Ladd of Haverhill, Mass. By FRANKLIN LADD BAILEY. 1896. 8vo. pp. 44. Price $1. Address F. L. Bailey, 10 Hancock St., Boston, Mass.

The Bohun Wills. By MELVILLE M. BIGELOW. Royal 8vo. pp. 36. Accompanied by a chart showing the descent of the compiler from the de Bohuns and from the royal family of England.

The John Rogers Families of Plymouth and Vicinity. By JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND. 8vo. pp. 26.

Notes on the Pillsburys of Leek, County Stafford, England. By Miss EMILY A. GETCHELL and EBEN PUTNAM. 1895. 8vo. pp. 24.

The Chatfield Family, principally from Records in the Naugatuck Valley, Conn. Compiled by WILLIAM C. SHARPE. Seymour, Conn. 1896. Sm. 8vo. pp. 32. Price 50 cts. or 52 cts. by mail.

Prospectus of the Wiggin Genealogy. 8vo. pp. 14. Price 30 cts.

Walter Allen of Newbury, Mass., 1640, and Some of his Descendants. With a few Notes on the Allen Family in General. By ALLEN H. BENT. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 66.

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Notes on the Ancestry and Connections of Rear-Admiral Thomas Graves of Charlestown, Mass. By EBEN PUTNAM. 8vo. pp. 17.

Supplement to the Culbertson Genealogy. By LEWIS R. CULBERTSON, M.D., of Zanesville, O. Cincinnati, O.: The Cincinnati Lancet-Clinic. 1896. 8vo. pp. 38.

The Alden-Fuller Record. A Record of the Descendants of Lemuel Fuller, Sr., fifth from John Alden and Priscilla Mullens, fourth from Dr. Samuel Fuller. Compiled by M. PERCY BLACK. St. Louis. 1896. 12mo. pp. 68.

Descendants of Christopher Chester, 1796–1896. Sm. 8vo. pp. 11.

Supplement to the Johnson Genealogy. By Rev. W. W. JOHNSON. Containing the Ancestors and Descendants of Hon. Theophilus Crawford, North Greenfield, Wis. 1896. 8vo. pp. 201–220 (30 pages).

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Record and Pedigree of the Family of Maryon of Essex and Herts. Compiled by JOHN ERNEST MARYON. 1895. [London.] 4to. 10 pages.

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Brackett Pedigree. By ALPHEUS L. BRACKETT, Everett, Mass. 1896. 8vo. 2 pedigrees, 2 pages each.

Dana Chart. Descendants of Capt. William and Mary (Bancroft) Dana. Compiled by WILLIAM D. EWERT. Broadside, 18 by 24 in.

Rogers-Dudley Chart. Broadside, 18 by 24 in.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of books recently published relating to family history.

The first work on our list, the Choates in America, makes a handsome volume, printed on superior paper, the pages being rubricated, and the work illustrated by many fine portraits and other engravings. It is a fit companion volume for the author's "The Cogswells in America," noticed by us October, 1884. It has the same completeness of research and excellent arrangement of the material. The family which produced Rufus Choate and other eminent men deserves a fitting memorial, and Rev. Mr. Jameson has furnished one in the volume before us. The book is from the press of Alfred Mudge & Son, and does credit to that firm. It is furnished with good indexes.

The book on the Ashley Family is by Francis B. Trowbridge, and is, like all of his books, a model for such works. Robert Ashley, the emigrant ancestor, was one of the early settlers of Springfield, Mass. His posterity have held important positions and have been thoroughly traced by the compiler of this book. Twenty portraits and views embellish the volume. Among the features which we notice is the fullness of the foot-notes in which authorities are given. We think it is the first book to give authorities for military services. An excellent index is furnished.

The third book is a superior specimen of book-making. It is printed on fine paper and is elegantly bound. Only thirty-five copies were printed for private circulation. Besides the Reminiscences of Dr. Alvan Bond, it contains funeral sermons and other notices of this distinguished man; Brief Sketches of Early Settlers who are ancestors of Dr. Bond and his wife Sarah Richardson; a facsimile reprint of the Bond Genealogy, printed in 1826, and other interesting matter. It is illustrated with portraits and other fine engravings.

The Thomas book contains much interesting genealogical information about various families of that name, chiefly of the middle states, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New York, but including some of New England, the south and west, and also of England and Wales. The author, Rev. Lawrence B. Thomas, D.D., is the author of "Genealogical Notes of the Thomas Family." The book is

well printed and illustrated with "quaint and rare portraits and views." Much labor has evidently been given to this work.

Col. Pierce is an indefatigable genealogist. His history of the Fiske Family is a book similar in appearance and arrangement to his Whitney Genealogy, which was noticed in the REGISTER a year ago (Vol. L. page 148). Like that work, this one is printed in clear type on heavy paper, is profusely illustrated and well indexed. It contains the names of more than six thousand persons, many of whom have been eminent in their callings. An interesting article on the origin of the name is from the pen of Dr. John Fiske, the historian. Besides the usual vital statistics this volume has a large amount of biographical matter.

The book on the Butters family is, we think, the first book published on that family. Besides the descendants of the Woburn settler, some families in New York, West Virginia, Ohio and other of the United States, are found here. The book is well compiled and well printed, and is illustrated with fine engravings.

The compiler of the Greenleaf Genealogy, James Edward Greenleaf, is a grand nephew of Rev. Jonathan Greenleaf, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., who published a genealogy of this family in 1854. He is a son of Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, and a grandson of Simon Greenleaf, law professor at Harvard College. The work is much enlarged from the former book and is also much improved. It is thoroughly prepared, the biographic details being particularly full. It is illustrated by fine portraits and other engravings, and is well indexed.

The book on the Sinclair family is by Hon. Leonard A. Morrison, to whom the public is indebted for several other valuable volumes on local and family history. In the volume before us he has furnished an excellent record of an ancient family. Besides the usual state, county, town and church records which he has used, he has drawn much material from the pension papers in the Pension Office at Washington, and other documents. The book is well compiled, well indexed and handsomely printed. It gives a history of the family in Normandy, France, and a record of the name in Scotland, England and Ireland, besides the genealogy of the families in the United States and Canada. There are 26 pages of group engravings, including 136 portraits, and other illustrations.

Mr. Lord's "Memorials of the Family of Morse" is a good supplement to the work of the Rev. Abner Morse, published in 1850, which now is extremely rare and brings a very high price. Mr. Lord has arranged his matter on the REGISTER plan and has had it printed in large, clear type, on fine white paper with broad margins. He has made material additions to the matter derived from Rev. Abner Morse's book, especially in the early generations. A similar revision of other lines of Rev. Mr. Morse's book is needed. Mr. Lord is now engaged on the English antecedents, with more than ordinary hopes of success.

The book on the Peters Lineage is devoted to the descendants of Dr. Charles Peters, who emigrated to this country in the early part of the last century and settled in Hempstead, Long Island. No connection is found with other families of the name in this country. The book is carefully compiled and makes a handsome volume, and has a good index. It is a fitting memorial of an honorable ancestry.

The late Manning Leonard of Southbridge, whose memoir appears in the REGISTER for July, 1887, a descendant of Solomon Leonard of Duxbury and Bridgewater, Mass., was engaged many years in collecting materials relating to the descendants of his ancestor, but died before his book was published. His children have supplied data lacking in their father's manuscript, and it is here printed under the charge of his daughter, Miss Annie R. Leonard. It makes a handsome volume, well printed and clearly arranged. No better monument to a father's memory could be named by his children.

The book on the White family is devoted to the descendants of William White of the Mayflower, whose son Peregrine is noted as the first child of English parentage born in New England. It makes a volume of about four hundred pages, and furnishes a complete record of the descendants of William and Susanna White, well arranged and well printed. The entries, quoted from an old Bible in Hartford, should be critically examined. We have serious doubts of their genuineness.

The book on the Streeter family is by Milford B. Streeter of Brooklyn, N. Y. The author has made researches in England and traces the family to the county

of Kent, England. The emigrant ancestor was Stephen Streeter who settled at Gloucester, Mass., and afterwards removed to Charlestown. The author has been very successful in collecting the records of a widely scattered race. The volume is well arranged and has a good index.

The Colegrove book is by the Rev. Dr. Colegrove of Tallula, Ill. Much information about this family is here preserved. It is well printed and embellished with a number of portraits. It has an index.

The book on the Gifford family is the result of several years which the author has devoted to the collection of data about the family. He has given us a fine book. He is endeavoring to form a Gifford Historical Society and this book is a good prelude.

The firstedition of the Harwood book was published in pamphlet form in 1879. The author was a young man then. He has since continued his researches and issued a new edition much improved and enlarged. The book is illustrated with several fine portraits.

The book on the Orton family is by Edward Orton, LL.D., Professor of Geology in the Ohio State University. The book is well compiled. To the several sections are prefixed tabular pedigrees which serve as indexes of the matter contained in them. The author states that his aim has been to make the work accurate and reliable.

The book on the Swain family, with notices of several allied families, is a work of much merit. The emigrant ancestor of the Swain family was Jeremiah Swain who settled in Charlestown, Mass., as early as 1638, and later removed to Reading, being one of the first settlers there. The book has an index.

The book on the Hull family contains a record of over one hundred and thirty families, and six hundred and fifty-four descendants, extending over a period of two hundred and sixty years. The verso of each page is left blank for additions and corrections. The families are separated by red lines. The book is well compiled and makes a good appearance.

The book on the Clark family is by Rev. Edgar W. Clark of Pana, Illinois. Samuel Clark, whose descendants are here recorded, as early as 1636 was a settler of Wethersfield, Ct., thence removing to Stamford and Milford, and afterwards to Hempstead, Long Island. The genealogy here printed is the result of a gradual gathering of more than twenty years. This work of love does credit to the author.

The book on the Pynchon family is a brief record of the famous family descended from William Pynchon, the founder of Springfield, Mass. Appended is a notice of the Holyoke family and a letter of Major John Pynchon dated October, 1673, during King Philip's war. It is an interesting book.

The book on the Thayer family is devoted to one branch of the Thayer family of Taunton, Mass., and is intended as a memorial of the father, mother and wife of George Thayer of Rochester, N. Y. A limited number of copies has been printed. It makes a handsome volume.

The author of the book on the Townsends is Malcolm Townsend of New York city, author of "An Index to Curious Facts in United States History, Historical, Geographical and Political." It is an interesting collection of facts concerning the Townsends of England and America.

The book on the Lillie family is by Hon. Edward L. Pierce, author of Memoir and Letters of Charles Sumner. It was prepared "to perpetuate the honbrable memory of a brave soldier of the Revolution," and to preserve a record of his descendants. It makes an interesting volume. The first edition was issued in August last, and the second in the following December.

The Fuller book contains much valuable matter. Rev. Daniel Fuller, whose diary and portrait are here given, was a descendant of Thomas Fuller, of whose genealogy a record by the Rev. Arthur B. Fuller, brother of the talented Margaret Fuller, was printed in the REGISTER for October, 1859, pp. 351–63. The book contains an account of the descendants of Thomas Fuller by the author of the diary; the Meditations of Thomas Fuller and Advice to his children in verse (1638), besides other matters. It is printed in old style and makes a beautiful volume.

The book on the Steiner family is by the late Hon. Lewis H. Steiner, M.D., LL.D., librarian of the Enoch Pratt Public Library, and his son and successor Bernard C. Steiner, Ph.D. It is a carefully compiled book. It contains first, sketches of the early history of the Steiner family in Germany; secondly, early Steiner settlers in America; thirdly, an account of Jacob Steiner, the emigrant

ancestor, with a record of his descendants. The reputation of the authors is a guarantee that the work on this book is performed in the most conscientious manner.

The Roberts book is the result of an investigation commenced more than twelve years ago. The result of the search, up to that date, was printed in the REGISTER in July, 1888 (pp. 242–8), in an article by the late Lewis A. Roberts of New York. The search has been continued to the present time, with gratifying success, by Mr. Starr. The book is well arranged and handsomely printed.

The next book, by Mr. Bailey, of Boston, contains carefully compiled accounts of Thomas Ruggles and his younger brother John, both early settlers of Roxbury, Mass., and their descendants, and of Alitheah Smith, wife of Thomas Ruggles. An article on the descendants of Samuel Ladd is also given. Mr. Bailey deserves much praise for the thorough work he has done.

The Bohun Wills contains copies of the wills of Humphrey de Bohen, Earl of Hereford, who married Margaret, daughter of Edward I. of England, and other early Bohuns related to him, with remarks by Mr. Bigelow, the compiler. This is a reprint from the American Historical Review, Vol. I., Nos. 3 & 4, 1896. A tabular pedigree accompanies this pamphlet, tracing the ancestry of the compiler to Edward I., and to several noble families of England. The pedigree has been admitted to record at the Heralds' College, London. The pedigree is embellished with symbolical designs.

Mr. Drummond's pamphlet on the several John Rogers families in Plymouth and vicinity, though small in size, is the result of much labor. There were so many by the name of John Rogers in Plymouth, Duxbury, Marshfield, Weymouth and Scituate in their early history, and they have so often been confounded, that Judge Drummond determined to clear up the mystery, and by much research succeeded in separating the different individuals. He prepared a paper on the subject which was read before the Maine Historical Society, and is here reprinted from their Proceedings.

The Notes on the Pillsburys of Leek give, among other matters, abstracts of some wills of Staffordshire Pillsburys, obtained some years ago and verified in 1894 by Mr. Putnam. The information in these wills is tabulated.

The work on the Chatfield family gives the descendants of George Chatfield, who with his brothers Francis and Thomas settled at Guilford, Conn., in 1639. It is well compiled, and is illustrated with several fine portraits. It has an index.

The Wiggin pamphlet is issued by a committee appointed at the reunion of the descendants of Gov. Thomas Wiggin in 1895. It has some genealogical matter, with several portraits and a map.

The pamphlet on the descendants of Walter Allen is a well compiled genealogy. A Society of the Descendants of Walter Allen has been formed, and a larger volume on the same subject is hoped for.

The next pamphlet gives the proceedings at the second annual reunion of descendants of Capt. Munson in August last, the first reunion having been held August 17, 1887 (see REGISTER, vol. 42, p. 224). A Munson genealogy in two large octavo volumes had been published in the winter preceding this second reunion (see REGISTER, vol. 50, p. 240).

The pamphlet on the Descendants of Rear Admiral Thomas Graves is by Mr. Putnam of Salem, who has had much experience in such work. A large folding pedigree helps much in understanding the relationship of persons whose record is given.

The next pamphlet is a supplement to the Culbertson genealogy, an octavo of over three hundred pages, by the same author, published in 1893.

The Alden-Fuller Record gives some records of two Mayflower families and will be interesting to many people.

The next pamphlet is devoted to the descendants of Christopher Chester of Boston and Lancaster, Mass. His son John was born in Boston, Aug. 13, 1796, and died in Dedham, Dec. 31, 1883.

The Johnson pamphlet is a supplement to the Johnson Genealogy by the same author, published in 1893 and noticed in the REGISTER, vol. 47, p. 382.

The Elderkin pamphlet is a record of the descendants of one of the founders of Connecticut, who came to New England as early as 1637. The author is John Elderkin of New York city, journalist and author, who is of the eighth generation. The work is written in narrative form and is highly interesting. It makes a handsome pamphlet.

The work on the Voorhees family is another handsome pamphlet. It is by Rev. Louis Bevier Voorhees, secretary of the Directors of Lawrence Academy and Vice President of the Groton Historical Society. It gives his line of descent from Coert Albert van voor Hees of Ruinen in Holland, whose son Steven emigrated to Long Island, N. Y., and died at Flatlands, Feb. 16, 1684. The record is well prepared.

The Maryon book is well described by its title. The author, John Ernest Maryon, of Heartsease Park, Biloxi, Miss., U. S., or 47 Tottenham Court Road, London, Eng., solicits new facts or correction of errors, as he hopes to produce a larger and more perfect record.

The pamphlet on Capt. Reade, U. S. N., gives a record of the ancestry of that gentleman and of the revolutionary services of his ancestors.

The Brackett pamphlet gives a notice of the early Bracketts settled in New England, and a record of some descendants of Anthony Brackett of Portsmouth, N. H.

The Dana Chart gives the descendants of William Dana, who married Mary Bancroft, Nov. 28, 1770. It was compiled in 1870 for their centennial anniversary.

The Rogers-Dudley tabular chart gives the descent of Mary Estelle Rogers and Josephine Harrison Rogers from John Rogers, the younger (see REGISTER, vol. 41, p. 138); and from Capt. Roger Dudley and his son Governor Thomas Dudley.

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"Ould Newbury": Historical and Biographical Sketches. By John J. Currier. A volume with this title has lately been published by Damrell & Upham, corner of Washington and School streets, Boston, Mass. It makes over 700 octavo pages (9½x6 in.) with eighty full page half-tone plates, thirty smaller, printed with the text, and ten maps. The price will be $5 in cloth and $6 in half morocco. Mr. Currier of Newburyport has devoted much time to the work in order to make it reliable. It is an interesting locality, and the book will be much sought after. A fuller notice will appear in the next number.

Savary's History of Annapolis County, N. S.—Judge A. W. Savary of Annapolis has been engaged for a year or two in preparing, and has now in press a History of Annapolis County, including old Port Royal and Acadia. It will give the genealogy of about one hundred and twenty families, the majority of them of New England origin. The book was commenced by the late W. A. Calrick. Judge Savary's long familiarity with the history and genealogy of that region is an assurance that the work will be valuable to historical students, and particularly to American genealogists. It will probably be issued next spring.

Genealogies in Preparation.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of birth, marriage, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Blount.—By Miss Helen M. Prescott, Atlanta, Ga.

Comstock.—By William G. Comstock, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Cossart.—By Edmund J. James, University of Chicago.

Gorham.—By George H. Griffing, Paymaster, U. S. Navy Yard, League Island, Pa.

Hazen.—By Henry Allen Hazen, Box 427, Washington, D. C. This work is nearly ready for the press. The earnest coöperation of persons having original records of the family is desired to complete the work.

Hobart.—The subscriber has secured from England extracts from parish registers giving more precise details than hitherto known of Edmund Hobart, the first immigrant, who came to Charlestown in 1633, and of his children. He is desirous of obtaining particulars of Edmund's descendants in the male line, of the fourth and subsequent generations, and especially of the descendants of the Rev. Gershom Hobart, forty years pastor at Groton.

Address William Nelson, Paterson, N. J.

Long.—By Mrs. Lewis H. Brown, Department of State, Sacramento, Cal.

Newton.—W. T. Newton, 134 Summer St., Boston, has a genealogy of the Connecticut and Rhode Island families nearly completed.

Post.—By George H. Post, Jellico, Tenn. New England families.

Richmond.—By Joshua B. Richmond, 114 State St., Boston, Mass. This work is now being printed.

Sykes.—By Henry M. Sykes, New Haven, Conn.

Thomas.—Frank W. Thomas, Esq., 56 Fourth St., Troy, N. Y.. has in manuscript a history of the descendants of that Capt. John Thomas whose mysterious life is set forth in part in the REGISTER for April, 1895. It was prepared several years ago, but never published.

I send a list of genealogies in preparation by the undersigned:

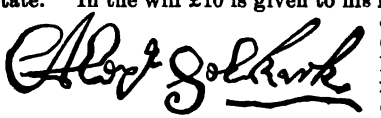
Burbank.—Descendants of John Burbank of Rowley, 1640.

Ordway.—Descendants of James Ordway of Newbury, 1648.

Worthen.—Descendants of Ezekiel Worthen of Amesbury, 1666.

FRANK ALLEN HUTCHINSON.

ROBINSON CRUSOE'S SWEETHEARTS.—Mr. Waters, in the October number of the REGISTER, has hit upon the very last will and testament of Alexander Selkirk; but it was not the only one, and in fact has previously been mentioned in print as stated in the editor's note. In the Scots Magazine for August, 1805 (Vol. 67, pages 670-674) are some interesting "Anecdotes of Alexander Selkirk." This article (with a wrong reference) is the source of the mention in John Howell's "Life." The Scots Magazine alludes to the will made at Oarston in Devon, in favor of Frances Candis, Selkirk's new wife in that particular port, and mentions her quick consolation with a new husband, Hall, and her eagerness after Selkirk's effects, but with pardonable Scottish pride congratulates us on the fact that, though the Englishwoman "swept away whatever he [Selkirk] possessed," yet "those curious relicks, his chest, and his musket, and his paternal cot in Largo, were too distant to be clutched by her rapacious gripe." No mention is made of her alleged visit to Largo, as quoted from Howell by the editor of the REGISTER. Though the will found by Mr. Waters is only alluded to, another previous will is given in full, as well as a long power of attorney. Both show that Frances Candis was only a recent accession to Robinson Crusoe's tender heart. The sweetheart of the port of Plymouth had had a predecessor in the port of London not long before; we know not how many others in the interval. The power of attorney and the will, both dated the 13th of January, 1717–18, are both in favor of the same lady, described in the first as "my trusty and loving friend Sophia Bruce, of the Pall Mall, London, spinster," and in the second "my loveing and well-beloved friend Sophia Bruce of the Pelmel, London, spinster." Selkirk describes himself as of Largo in the shire of Fife in North Britain. Nearly everything is left to Sophia, including, after his father's death, "a certain house in or on a place called the Craggy Wall in Largo aforesaid, being the eastmost house, as my proper estate." In the will £10 is given to his loveing friend Katherine Mason, the wife of John Mason of the parish of Covent Garden, merchant taylor, and after Sophia Bruce's death, his Largo estate to his nephew Alexander, son of David Selkirk of Largo, tanner. Both documents are witnessed by Alexander Bushan and Sarah Holman before John Thomas, jr., notary public of Wapping. I send a tracing of Selkirk's signature.



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NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.

COMPLETE INDEX TO THE REGISTER.

WITHIN two years from the date of its incorporation in 1845 the New-England Historic Genealogical Society began the publication of its quarterly journal, the NEW-ENGLAND HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER, and this publication so happily begun has continued without interruption to the present day.

The REGISTER, under the management of a succession of able and learned editors, has now become a vast storehouse of historical and genealogical material, much of it to be found nowhere else—an inexhaustible mine of information concerning the early settlers of New England, their families and their descendants. No town or family history can properly be written without a search of the contents of the long series of volumes into which the REGISTER has now expanded.

But the very success of the Society in accumulating such an abundance of material renders it increasingly difficult to find anything hidden in so great a mass. An Index is imperatively necessary.

Yet for more than forty years no attempt was made to provide the REGISTER with an Index of Places, nor during that period is there any Index of Persons in the proper acceptation of the term. There is merely a list of surnames, and a very inadequate and imperfect Index of Subjects.

Indeed it is only within the last seven years that the searcher who has had occasion to consult the REGISTER has found anything which deserves to be called an index to guide him through the labyrinth of its contents. The volumes published during that period are each provided with a full index of places and persons, the latter arranged according to Christian as well as surnames. The adoption of this improved method can fairly be said to have doubled the value of the REGISTER to the investigator. And it is important that this system should be extended to include all the other volumes of the REGISTER.

Few people are aware that in a single volume of the REGISTER there are mentioned more than 3,000 places, 4,000 family names, and 12,000 individuals. These figures, large as they are, are below the average of the later years, and the 20,000 pages of printed matter already published contain, it is estimated, more than 600,000 names of persons.

The Society has now completed the publication of the 50th volume of the REGISTER, and it is desirous of printing a consolidated index to the whole fifty volumes; an index comprising subjects, places and persons, the latter arranged by Christian as well as surnames. But it is without funds available for the purpose.

The preparation of such an index will require, it is estimated, about $3,000. This is exclusive of the cost of printing. But the committee are confident that if the first cost —that of compilation—can be met, means can be found to defray the expense of printing. If one third of the estimated sum can be promptly raised, the committee, with this in hand, will feel justified in entering upon the work.

Ten subscriptions of $100 each will produce this sum. Yet no contribution, however small, will be declined, but will be gratefully received.

Many of the volumes of the REGISTER are out of print and are very scarce. A complete set can with difficulty be obtained. Occasionally, on the sale of some collection, one finds its way, but rarely, to the market. Its value is about $250.

To those who are fortunate enough to own a full set of the REGISTER the proposed index will be invaluable; while those persons, societies or libraries having an imperfect set which they have found it impossible heretofore to complete, will find such an index well nigh indispensable.

The Society confidently appeals to that public spirit which is never called upon in vain, and it hopes that all persons of New England descent, in every part of the country, will contribute according to their means to make available for the first time this vast collection of historical and genealogical material accumulated by the labors of two generations of self-sacrificing antiquaries.

Upon the response to this appeal depends the fate of this great work.

Communications may be addressed and contributions sent to JOHN WARD DEAN, Editor of the REGISTER, at the Society's House, No. 18 Somerset Street, Boston, Mass.

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Biographical Sketches of the Graduates of Yale College, with Annals of the College History: May, 1745–May, 1763. By FRANKLIN BOWDITCH DEXTER, M.A. New York: Henry Holt and Company. 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. viii.+793. Price, $5.

This work, begun by the publication in 1885 of a first volume covering the period from 1701 to May, 1745, is now continued for a further period of eighteen years. The value of the work, and the fidelity with which it is prosecuted, is undiminished, and the reader will only regret the necessarily slow progress toward its completion in the later generations of graduates of the college.

The middle of the eighteenth century was a day of small things at Yale. Students were comparatively few in number, money was lacking, and the annals disclose much dissension growing out of the aggressive and arbitrary administration of President Clap. Need was felt of a new college building. After five or six years' agitation an act was passed by the General Assembly in 1747 authorizing a lottery to promote the object. Work of construction was begun in 1748, and then annual appeals were made to the General Assembly for more funds. The exterior was finished in 1752 and the interior in 1756— but the entire cost of the building, through all these years of labor, was only £1660. This building was called Connecticut Hall, in acknowledgment of the assistance given by the colonial government, and it is still standing, being known to the present generation as South Middle College.

In the eighteen years covered by the work 505 students were graduated. Biographical sketches are given of these men, the sketches being carefully prepared and of great value. In a majority of cases the names of the paternal grandparents, as well as the parents, of the graduates are given, for which many genealogical students will thank the compiler. Equally valuable is the full citation of authorities, given in each case in a foot-note.

The residence of 490 of the 505 graduates at the time of entering college is known. Of these 381 were from Connecticut, 63 from Massachusetts, 33 from New York, 9 from Rhode Island, 3 from New Jersey, and 1 from North Carolina. The number of ministers was 186, physicians 64, and lawyers 56.

An appendix by Prof. Hubert A. Newton, LL.D., devoted to vital statistics, is interesting. "It is a marked feature of the mortality statistics of American college graduates," says the writer, "that there is excessive mortality in the years immediately following graduation. This is no doubt due to the strenuous efforts of young graduates to attain a good position in their profession. The later favorable experience in the ages from 45 to 75 is presumably due to the fact that they have by that time gained position or else lost ambition."

By Samuel Merrill, LL.B., of Cambridge, Mass.

The Index Library, being Indexes, Calendars and Abstracts of British Records issued to the Subscribers by The British Record Society, Limited. No. 66. December, 1896. Royal 8vo. Annual subscription one guinea. Address E. A. Fry, Esq., honorary secretary, 172 Edmund Street, Birmingham, England.

The first number of the Index Library bears date January, 1888, William P. W. Phillimore, M.A., B.C.L., who retired a few years ago, being then the editor. At the close of 1889, the second year, steps were taken to form a permanent society by the name of the British Record Society, to carry on the publication of the Index Library. Sixty-six parts have already been issued. It is found that this periodical fills a want long felt by antiquarian students. The following volumes have been completed, namely, 1, Northamptonshire and Rutland Wills, 1510–1652, 1 volume; 2, Chancery Proceedings, Bills and Answers, temp. Charles I., 4 volumes; 3, Royal Composition Papers, A to F, 1 volume; 4, Signet Bills, 1584 to 1624, 1 volume; 5, Lichfield Wills and Administrations 1510 to 1652; 6, Berkshire Wills and Administrations 1508 to 1652; 7, Gloucestershire Inquisitiones Post Mortem, temp. Charles I., 2 volumes; 8, The Prerogative Court of Canterbury Wills 1383 to 1558, 2 volumes; 9, Gloucestershire Wills 1541 to 1650.

Indexes to other records, quite as valuable and interesting, are in progress. We would particularly call the attention of our readers to the Index to the wills proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury (now preserved in the Principal Probate Registry, Somerset House, London), compiled by J. Challenor C. Smith, so favorably known as the superintendent of the Literary Department at Somerset House, to whom many of our American searchers have been indebted. Two volumes of this index have been completed, furnishing an index to the wills from 1383 to 1558. A continuation of this index from 1559 to 1583 is in progress, and in this number is completed to the letter J.

A Scottish Series of Records has recently been commenced in the Index Library.

The Fifty-Seventh Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers in the War of the Rebellion. Army of the Potomac. By CAPTAIN JOHN ANDERSON, U. S. Army. Boston, Mass.: E. B. Stillings & Co., Printers, 55 Sudbury Street. 1896. Pp. xiv.+512.

This is a valuable and exhaustive work. It is more even than a history of the brave 57th, as it gives in outline something of the history, during the last years of the Civil War, of the struggle of the Army of the Potomac (commanded by Gen. U. S. Grant) with the Army of Northern Virginia (under Gen. R. E. Lee), two of the bravest armies commanded by two of the greatest generals that the world has ever seen. It is a book of absorbing interest written by a man who took part in the important series of battles, from the terrible conflict in the Wilderness to the surrender at Appomattox. The description of these battles is vivid in the extreme. Many of the pen portraits of the officers and soldiers of the 57th Regiment (that of Gen. William F. Bartlett and others) are glowing tributes to these brave men. One of the interesting features of the book is the spirit of fair-mindedness which pervades it. Although of unflinching loyalty to the Union cause, the author could recognize and respect the steadfast courage of the southern as well as of the northern soldier. Looking back from the present period to the time of the war he can calmly consider the great questions involved. Moreover he can lay stress on the great truth that there are now no sectional differences, that the North and

the South are more firmly united, more indissolubly joined together than ever before in the history of our native land. While Capt. Anderson presents in a very realistic way the horrors of war, he yet shows that war is not always an unmixed evil, that although for the time being it may seem to retard progress and bring countless evils in its train, it may in the end conduce to the progress of the human race, may lead up to "the one divine event toward which the whole creation moves," the coming of "the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ."

By Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

Suffolk Manorial Families, being the County Visitations and Other Pedigrees. Edited with extensive additions by JOSEPH JAMES MUSKETT. Part IV. Privately printed. Exeter: William Pollard & Co., Printers. 1896. Royal 4to. 48 pages. Price 5 shillings each part.

We have another part of Mr. Muskett's valuable work, the Suffolk Manorial Families. There have now been five parts issued, parts 1, 2, 3 and 6, and the one under review. The several parts have been noticed as they appeared. The present part is characterized by the same thorough work that its predecessors had. Wills, chancery proceedings, parish registers and other evidences, are used to verify and trace the pedigrees. It contains pedigrees of Forth, Crymble, Bode, Powell, Clopton, Tyndall, Rainsborough and Reade.

The present part and parts 1, 2 and 3 relate exclusively to the Winthrops of Groton and families allied to them. In the preparation of these four parts Mr. Muskett has had the assistance of Robert C. Winthrop, Jr., who has placed in his hands all the material that he could furnish from the Winthrop papers in his possession. The material now collected is largely new matter, nowhere else found in print. In these four parts will be found all the reliable information known to exist concerning the English ancestry of Gov. John Winthrop of Massachusetts and his connections.

Legends of Woburn. Second Series. Now first written and preserved in collected form from Old Traditions, Legends and History. Illustrated by thirty-two characteristic Plates, to which is added a Table of Local Weather Indications. By PARKER LINDALL CONVERSE, author of "Legends of Woburn, First Series," "Story of Creation," etc. Woburn, Mass. Printed for subscribers only. 1896. 8vo. pp. xi.+252.

The Second Series of miscellanies relating to Woburn furnishes a "Menu," —as the author facetiously calls the table of contents,—of a variety similar to that of the First Series. The text and the illustrations might be aptly described as including the curios of Woburn annals as distinguished from the facts and statistics which alone are admitted into the ordinary town history. The historical quality of the opening sections, however, is of a sufficiently serious cast, and the reader will also discover throughout the book, commingled with ballads and tales, a stock of information pertinent not only to Woburn life but to that of New England in general.

The typography and illustrations brilliantly enhance the merits of a volume which, as it was certainly written *con amore*, will so be read by those most naturally interested in its contents.

By Frederick W. Parke, Esq., of Boston.

I. *The Registers of Banstead, in the County of Surrey. 1547–1789.* Transcribed and edited by F. A. HEYGATE LAMBERT, Esq., F.S.A., with the permission of the Rev. E. V. Buckle, Vicar of Banstead. London. 1896. 8vo. pp. vii.+145.

II. *The Registers of St. Alban's, in the City of Worcester. 1630–1812.* Transcribed by Rev. J. BOWSTEAD WILSON, M.A., F.S.A., Rector of Knightwick, Worcestershire. London. 1896. 8vo. pp. 92+xiii.

III. *The Registers of Beer Hackett, Dorset. From 1549 to 1812.* Transcribed by EDWARD ALEXANDER FRY, with the permission of the Rev. Wilfred Roxby, B.A., Rector of Thornford and Beer Hacket. London. 1896. 8vo. pp. vii.+42.

IV. *The Registers of North Luffenham, in the County of Rutland, 1572–1812.* Transcribed and edited by the Rev. PHILIP GRETTON DENNIS, B.D., Rector of North Luffenham. London. 1896. 8vo. pp. x.+166.

V. *The Registers of Monk Fryston, in the West Riding of Yorkshire. 1538-1678.* Transcribed by (the late) J. D. HEMSWORTH. London. 1896. 8vo. pp. 162.—These volumes are not published or sold, but are privately printed for The Parish Register Society, and are issued to subscribers at the rate of one guinea per annum. Address W. Fergusson Irvine, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer*, 18 Devonshire Road, Claughton, Cheshire.

The Banstead Registers begin with the year 1547 and include the baptisms to 1750, the marriages to 1753 and the burials to 1789, to which are added the monumental inscriptions in the church, the tombstone inscriptions in the churchyard, and a list of the patrons and vicars. St. Alban's is the most ancient parish but one in the city of Worcester; unfortunately, however, its Registers only date back to 1630. The Registers of Beer Hackett begin in the year 1549 but are not continuous. There are no entries between 1647 and 1658, 1672 and 1696, and 1707 and 1725. The volume of North Luffenham contains besides the Registers a list of the patrons and rectors, monumental inscriptions in the church and eleven pages of "Notes of briefs and other memoranda." The Monk Fryston Registers commence with the year in which the present system of parochial registers was instituted in England (1538).

The Parish Register Society, which was organized for the purpose of printing the early English Parish Registers in a uniform series, and which has the support of some of the most eminent antiquaries in Great Britain, has surprised its subscribers both by the amount and the excellence of its first year's work. These volumes are well printed on fine hand-made paper and are thoroughly indexed. It is gratifying to notice, also, that each register is printed in full, *verbatim et literatim*, from its commencement to (whenever possible) the year 1812.

In 1897 the Society will issue besides others a part of the important Register of Stratford on Avon, which contains the baptism and burial of Shakespeare. It is to be edited by Mr. Richard Savage. As many will want this work who do not care for the others, separate subscriptions will be received for it at the same rate (£1. 1. 0).

"*Ould Newbury*"; *Historical and Biographical Sketches.* By JOHN J. CURRIER. Illustrated. Boston: Damrell & Upham. 1896. 8vo. pp. 729. Price $5 in cloth, and $6 in half morocco.

The Hon. John J. Currier has written a valuable book, whose title we give above. It will deeply interest a multitude of readers, and we can heartily recommend it to our readers. "Ould Newbury" was settled in 1635. It is a hive from which have swarmed a host of people to build up younger towns by their energy and thrift. The posterity of these people has multiplied a hundred fold, so that now the descendants of the settlers of Newbury can be found in every part of our land. They, though widely separated from the parent hive, will thank Mr. Currier for reproducing for their benefit the history and traditions of the place where their ancestors lived, and recording what has happened there before and after their forefathers left. The present residents of the locality, though not descended from the first comers, will have as deep an interest as they.

Newbury and the towns formed from it have produced many distinguished men, and as many have adopted it as their home. Mr. Currier has been indefatigable in searching out the incidents in their lives, even when their memory was growing indistinct, and giving us full biographies, with portraits of themselves and views of the homes in which they lived. Among the personal sketches found here are those of Chief Justice Samuel Sewall, Theophilus Parsons, Rev. George Whitefield, William Lloyd Garrison, Hannah F. Gould, Caleb Cushing, Ben. Perley Poore, Eben F. Stone and William Wheelwright. A portrait of the author's father, John Currier, Jr., an enterprising shipbuilder in Newburyport, who died in 1887, embellishes the chapter on "Old Ship Yards." The author of this book about twenty years ago published a work entitled "Ship Building on the Merrimac," in which a full account of this industry may be found.

This locality has been the scene of many events that are a part of our country's history, and of many whose influence has been felt beyond the limits of our land. These are well described by the author, who takes great care to have them correct in their minutest details.

Mr. Currier is well qualified to write a book like this. He has antiquarian tastes, and his opportunities for gathering the history and traditions of the place have been great. He has a clear style, and his descriptions of men and places are highly interesting. The book makes a handsome volume. The engravings are numerous and of a high order of merit. They consist of portraits, views of buildings and scenery, maps, etc.

Ancient Families of Bohemia Manor, their Homes and their Graves. By Rev. CHARLES PAYSON MALLORY. The Historical Society of Delaware. Wilmington. 1888. 8vo. pp. 74. Price $1.25. Address Rev. Charles P. Mallory, 940 East 177th Street, New York City.

This paper was prepared at the request of the Delaware Historical Society and was read before it March 21, 1887.

It was published by that Society and forms No. 7 of their series of "Papers."

Bohemia Manor is a name given to a tract of twenty thousand acres of land in Cecil and New Castle counties granted in the seventeenth century by Lord Baltimore to Augustine Herman, a native of Bohemia. Mr. Mallory has written an account of the settlers on this tract and their descendants. The narrative is very interesting, and much of historic value concerning that section is preserved.

The Historic Boston Tea Party of December 16, 1773. By CALEB A. WALL. Worcester: Press of F. S. Blanchard & Co. 1896. 8vo. pp. 87. For sale by C. A. Wall, Worcester, Mass. Price 75 cents.

Mr. Wall, the author of the work before us, has published a number of historical works relating to the city of Worcester, among which may be named "Reminiscences of Worcester," "North Worcester" and "Eastern Worcester," most of which have been noticed in the REGISTER.

In the book before us Mr. Wall treats of the actors in the Tea Party proceedings, and the incidents leading to, accompanying and following that event, with a short account of the Boston Massacre of March 5, 1770. The occasion of printing this history was the celebration July 4, 1895 of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the dedication of a monument to the memory of Capt. Peter Slater and his associates in throwing the tea overboard. Short sketches of the actors on that occasion are given.

The First Church of Christ, Old Saybrook, Conn. The Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary, Wednesday, July 1, 1896. Middletown. 1896. 8vo., pp. 132.

Although Saybrook was settled in 1635 and was for some years a distinct government, yet there was no church organized there until 1646. The reason for this was that the settlement was looked upon as a fort or military post, and therefore the minister was but a chaplain and his congregation had not the right to gather themselves into a church. But the history of the church which was gathered after eleven years delay is full of interest, and its story has been well told in the addresses contained in this volume. The special "historical review" was from the skilled pen of the Rev. Amos S. Chesebrough, D.D., and as printed in this volume it is a valuable contribution to the ecclesiastical history of Connecticut. Two or three points deserve particular attention: the connection of the church with the early days of the Collegiate School, now Yale College and University; the assembling of the synod which framed the Saybrook Platform; the fact that two, if not three, of the early pastors were ordained solely by the laying-on of the hands of the lay brethren; and the ministries of Rev. William Hart and Rev. Frederick William Hotchkiss, his son-in-law, covering together a period of one hundred and eight years. The ancient Saybrook church, in that part of the original town which is now legally known as Old Saybrook (the village retains the ancient name), was the mother of the Norwich church, and from each have sprung many others. Among the shorter addresses preserved in this volume, those of the most general interest are that conveying the salutations of the first church in Hartford and that by the pastor of the first church in Norwich.

By Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., of Hartford, Conn.

Vital Record of Rehoboth, 1642–1896. By JAMES N. ARNOLD. Providence: Narraganset Historical Publishing Company. 1897. Folio. Price $7.

Mr. J. N. Arnold of Providence, R. I., the well known compiler of the Vital Records of Rhode Island, has prepared and published the Records of this ancient town. This work makes a book of nearly 1000 pages of the same style as his latest Rhode Island volumes. In order to encourage subscription and patronage he has placed the price at seven dollars, but the price will be raised after day of publication to ten dollars, at his option. It is advisable therefore in those who wish this work to order it immediately. We have no hesitancy in saying that even at ten dollars it is cheap for a volume of materials illustrating the history of a town. There are over ten thousand marriages and intentions in strict duplicate, about twenty thousand births and six thousand deaths, covering a period of 250 years. When it is realized by the reader that all this matter is so arranged that every family mentioned on the record is here placed at once before his eye in its proper place, and that it is not a mere list of names but thousands of interesting notes are added. The book and page of the original town record is given also, thus placing at the reader's command an instant reference to the source of authority. Mr. Arnold is noted for his painstaking and he has produced a work that can be relied upon as accurate. From faded lines and peculiar formation of letters no town record can be copied exactly perfect. The author will get as near to it, however, as humanity is capable.

We have not space to give a sketch of this town, but will say that it once came within three votes of being made our State capital, that it saw the beginning and end of Philip's war within its borders, and that it was once the most populous town in the colony.

The lists of early freeman purchasers, settlers and soldiers who served in Philip's war, and in the Revolution of 1776. Besides these very important lists he has an index of all names and places mentioned in the volume. ***

A List of American Genealogies which have been printed in book form. Arranged in Alphabetical Order. Compiled by THOMAS ALLEN GLENN. Philadelphia: Henry T. Coates & Company. 1897. 4to. pp. 71. Price $2.

This is a very useful book. Its design is to give the titles of all the genealogies which have appeared in book form in the United States. Its arrangement is alphabetical under the surnames which are the subjects of the various publications. "The Hand-book of American Genealogy," by William H. Whitmore, published in 1862, was the first book to give a list of American Genealogies. The arrangement was chronological, and besides the titles it gives a description of the books. It has been a great aid to students of genealogy.

The present volume brings the list of books down to the present time, and by its alphabetical arrangement makes it much more easy to consult. It has cross references, so that genealogies which are published in volumes with those of other surnames can be easily found. It is therefore a complete catalogue of American Genealogies in book form.

The book is carefully compiled and handsomely printed, on superior paper with wide margins. The author thinks as we do that "besides being of great value to those directly interested in the genealogy of their family, and particularly to persons connected with the various patriotic heredity societies, the present bibliography cannot fail to be of much use to biographers, historians and librarians throughout the country."

Publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. Volume I. Transactions, 1892–1894. Boston: Published by the Society. 1895. xx. (2), 525 pp. Illustrated. 8vo.

This volume, presenting the first fruits of the investigations of the members of this young Society, shows abundant justification for its existence. That there is a field for another historical society devoted to Massachusetts history, working, perhaps, on a broader plane than its more conservative prototype, the Massachusetts Historical Society, must be acknowledged by the reader of the valuable papers now published. Mr. Andrew McFarland Davis's "Historical Work in Massachusetts" affords an exact and full account of the organization of the local historical societies in the State. Mr. Edes's remarks upon the Shipwreck of the Palatines give an explanation of the much sought information as to the destination of the unfortunate emigrants. The "Massachusetts

Election Sermons" are the subject of a critical and historical study by Mr. Lindsay Swift. The social as well as the religious purport of the institution which existed from 1634 down to 1884, when it was abolished by an Act of the General Court, is well brought out in this valuable study. So good a bibliographer as Mr. Swift must regret that circumstances forbade the addition of a full bibliography of the Sermons. Mr. Edwin M. Wheelwright's work upon some of the descendants of John Wheelwright, the Antinomian article is a good hit.

An unusually valuable Index occupies pages 453–455 of the volume.

By Appleton P. C. Griffin, Esq., of Boston.

The Lower Norfolk County Virginia, Antiquary. Edited by EDWARD W. JAMES. Vol. I. Baltimore: Press of the Freidenwald Company. 1897. 8vo. pp. 146. Four parts. Price 50 cents each.

The work which was commenced in 1895 was announced as to be issued at irregular intervals. The first part appeared in March, 1895, the second in October, 1895, the third in March, 1896, and the fourth appears in March of this year. The first part was noticed by us in October, 1895, and the second and third in July, 1896. Lower Norfolk County comprised all of that territory which is now included within the limits of the counties of Norfolk and Princess Anne and the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth. Much historic matter is preserved in this book.

Publishments, Marriages, Births and Deaths from the Earlier Records of Gorham, Maine. By MARQUIS F. KING, President of the Maine Genealogical Society. Maine Genealogical Society, Portland, Maine, 1897. 8vo. pp. 212. Edition 100 copies. Price $2.50; free by mail. Sold by Hubbard W. Bryant, Portland, Me.

The Hon. M. F. King of Portland has performed a service to the inhabitants of Gorham, Maine, by preserving in print all the vital statistics of that town which are now known to exist. They are now safe from the fate of some other records of Gorham. Judge Josiah Pierce, when he wrote his History of Gorham, in 1862, had access, says Mr. King, to both proprietors' and town records for he makes no mention of their loss. Subsequent to 1862 there must have been a wholesale removal of books from the town clerk's office, as for several years the town was left with few records bearing dates prior to the present century. "The loss was unaccountable, and the mystery not lessened by the return four or five years ago of the oldest volumes of the town records express from Boston, consignee unknown." The town has now no proprietors' records and the town records from 1770 to 1803 are missing. The records here printed were contributed by Mr. King to the Portland Evening Express, and are reprinted with the type set for that newspaper. The intentions, marriages, births and deaths are each arranged alphabetically. Ex-Mayor King deserves much credit for his work.

Diary of Lieut. Samuel Thompson of Woburn, Massachusetts, while in Service in the French War, 1758. With Notes by WILLIAM R. CUTTER. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1896. 8vo. pp. 60.

Woburn Men in the Indian and other Wars, previous to the Year 1754. By ARTHUR G. LORING and WILLIAM R. CUTTER. Boston: David Clapp & Son, Printers. 1897. 8vo. pp. 15.

This Diary was first printed in Sewall's History of Woburn. Since then the original has been hopelessly lost, supposed to be burned. This edition was printed for private distribution by Leonard Thompson of Woburn, a descendant. The diary begins May 24, 1758, when the diarist was twenty-six years old, and ends Monday, Nov. 6, of the same year. It contains entries made in a march to Lake George, Ticonderoga and Fort William Henry, the military service there, and the return to Woburn. The entries have an historic value which the elaborate notes of Mr. Cutter increase greatly.

The book is handsomely printed and is illustrated with numerous engravings. The appendixes of historical matter fill over half the book.

The pamphlet on Woburn Men is supplementary to the names in the Diary of Samuel Thompson and the Appendix to that publication. It is compiled with great care, and will be found useful.

Signers of the Mayflower Compact. By ANNIE ARNOUX HAXTUN. Reprinted from the "Mail and Express." New York. 1896. Large 4to. 9½ in. by 12 in. Part I. Price 25 cts.

The New York "Mail and Express" has been printing during the last two years a series of articles on the descendants of the signers of the Mayflower Compact. The demand for back numbers containing those articles has been so great that the publisher has decided to reprint them. We have before us the first part of the serial reprint, containing articles on the descendants of the first fourteen signers. The articles contain much information about the Mayflower Pilgrims and their posterity. We commend the serial to the attention of our readers.

Lineage of the Bowens of Woodstock, Connecticut. By EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOWEN. Cambridge, Mass.: Printed at the Riverside Press. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. iv.+10+245. Edition 250 copies. Price $5. Address the Author, 90 William Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Families of Dickerman Ancestry. Descendants of Thomas Dickerman, an Early Settler of Dorchester, Massachusetts. Prepared and published by EDWARD DWIGHT DICKERMAN and GEORGE SHERWOOD DICKERMAN. New Haven: The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Press. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. 650+i. Price $5; delivered for $5.40. Address the Printers.

An American Ancestry. By ANNA RICHMOND WARNER FRENCH. Compiled from over two thousand volumes with additional records, gathered by Miss Abbie French and others. Minneapolis: Hall, Black & Co., Printers. 1894. Super royal 8vo. pp. xv.+186.

Hall Ancestry. A Series of Sketches of the Lineal Ancestors of the Children of Samuel Holden Parsons Hall and his wife Emeline Bulkeley of Binghamton, N. Y. By CHARLES S. HALL. G. P. Putnam's Sons. New York and London. 1896. 8vo. gilt top, pp. x.+507. Edition 200 copies. Price $5. Address C. S. Hall, 86 Court Street, Binghamton, N. Y., or the publishers, New York and London.

The Pedigree of Raikes, formerly of Kingston-upon-Hull and originally of Kelfield in Stillingfleet, Yorkshire. Compiled from the wills, parish registers and other documents, collected by Lieut-Colonel G. A. Raikes, F.S.A. By JOSEPH FOSTER, M.A. Oxon. Corrected to 25 January, 1897. Broadside 23 in. by 36 in. folded with cover.

Gatherings toward the Genealogy of the Coffin Family. By W. S. APPLETON. Boston: Press of David Clapp & Son. 1896. 8vo. pp. 53.

Sir George Yeardley of Yeardley, Governor and Captain General of Virginia and Temperance West, Lady Yeardley and some of their Descendants. By THOMAS TEAKLE UPSHUR, Massawaddox, Northampton County, Virginia. 1896. 4to. pp. 35.

Ancestry of John Davis, Governor and U. S. Senator and Eliza Bancroft, his wife, both of Worcester, Massachusetts. Compiled by HORACE DAVIS. San Francisco, Cal. 1897. 8vo. pp. 94.

Genealogy of the Philadelphia Branch of the Damon Family of Massachusetts. Philadelphia. 1896. 8vo. pp. 39.

Ancestry of Nathan Dane Dodge and of his wife, Sarah (Shepard) Dodge. By MARY A. (DODGE) PARSONS. Salem, Mass.: Aylward, Huntress & Dennis. 1896. 8vo. pp. 76.

Genealogical Notes concerning Thomas Newton of Fairfield, Conn., compiled by NEWTON LULL of Chicago, Ill.; *and Henry Wallbridge of Preston, Conn.*, compiled by W. S. WALLBRIDGE of Litchfield, Conn. Chicago: Press of George E. Marshall & Co. 12 mo. pp. 39.

The Van Houton Family of Bergen, New Jersey. By CHARLES L. DEMAREST WASHBURN. New York. 1897. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 11.

The Jaudon Family. By EDWIN JAQUETT SELLERS, A.M., LL.B. Philadelphia: Printed by J. B. Lippincott Company. 1890. 8vo. pp. 24.

John Allen and Phœbe Deuel of Cambridge and Peru, N. Y. Preliminary Edition for Private Circulation. By CHARLES J. NORTH. Buffalo, N. Y. 4to pp. 11.

Ancestors of Moses Belcher Bass. Also contains ancestors of his two wives Elizabeth Wimble and Margaret Sprague. 8vo. pp. 14.

Genealogical and Historical Notes on the Teall Family. 1889. 8vo. pp. 7.

Constitution and By Laws of the Brigham Family Association Organized at Chicago Oct. 18, 1893, together with a report of its Proceedings at its First Meeting.

The Samborne Ancestry. By V. C. SANBORN, La Grange, Illinois. 8vo. pp. 8.

The First Sambornes of Hampton in New Hampshire. By V. C. SANBORN of La Grange, Ill. Boston: David Clapp & Son. 1897. 8vo. pp. 10.

Additions and Corrections to the Sumner Genealogy to January, 1897. 8vo. pp. 5.

Eben Kingman 2d. 8vo. pp. 4.

Allyn. 8vo. 20 pages.

Eldredge Genealogy. A Record of Some of the Descendants of William Eldredge of Yarmouth. By ZOETH S. ELDREDGE. Boston: Printed for Private Circulation. 1896. 8vo. pp. 85.

Thomas Kimberly of New Haven, Conn. 1638. Tabular pedigree 12 inches by 24 inches. Folded with paper cover.

Reunion of the Descendants of John Lee of Farmington, Conn., held at Farmington, Conn., Aug. 12 and 13, 1896. Edited by LEONARD LEE. Meriden, Conn: Republican Publishing Co. 1896. 8vo. pp. 67.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of works relating to family history.

The first book, Mr. Bowen's Lineage of the Bowens of Woodstock, is a work on which the author has spent much time in collecting the materials and which is brought out in the highest style of the typographic art. The book is not intended, says the author, to be a complete genealogy of the Bowens, but an account of the Bowens of Woodstock, Conn., and their ancestry and descendants. The emigrant ancestor of this branch was Griffith Bowen who came to New England about the year 1688 and settled at Boston, but afterwards returned to England. A brief account of him and his descendants was contributed to the REGISTER for October, 1893, by the author of this book. The book before us is illustrated by several views of the residence of Griffith Bowen before he came to New England, and other ancient buildings occupied by Bowens. Several tabular pedigrees are given, also a table showing the ancestors of the author for six generations. The appendix contains genealogical notes on the families from which he is descended. The book has a good index.

The book on the Dickerman family is one that any family might be proud of. The descendants of Thomas Dickerman of Dorchester have been traced with remarkable success, and the result is a volume of more than six hundred pages. It is clearly arranged and is well printed on fine paper. Interspersed through the book are eighteen ancestral and family charts which enable the reader readily to see the relationship of different parties. The index is copious.

The book entitled American Ancestry is a record of the ancestors of every name of a son of the author, Mrs. Charles E. French, of Minneapolis. The surnames are arranged alphabetically. As full details as could be obtained of each person is given. The book is well arranged, handsomely printed, and well indexed. The edition has been exhausted and a new one is in preparation.

The Hall Ancestry is a well prepared book and is what its title describes it to be, sketches of the ancestors of the author's brothers and sister, children of the late Hon. Samuel H. P. and Mrs. Emeline (Berkeley) Hall of Binghamton, N. Y.; with "some account of nearly one hundred early Puritan families of New England; also tables showing the royal descents of Mary Lyman and Sarah Chauncy and of their descendants." It makes a handsome volume.

The Raikes family to which the tabular pedigree before us is devoted is here traced to the time of Henry VII. It was compiled by Joseph Foster, F.S.A., whose genealogical and biographical works are numerous and of high authority. It was compiled for Lt. Col. George Alfred Raikes, F.S.A., author of the History of the Honourable Artillery Company and other works. Of this family was Thomas Raikes, governor of the Bank of England, 1797–9.

Mr. Appleton's Gatherings on the Coffin family is a welcome book. Having "made extensive gatherings concerning the branch of the family that remained at Newbury," he decided "to print them for preservation and as a help to him who shall ever undertake a complete genealogy of the family." The book is well printed and indexed.

Mr. Upshur's account of the Yeardley family is reprinted from the number for October, 1896, of the American Historical Magazine, Nashville, Tenn. It is compiled with care and makes a handsome book.

The next book gives the record of the ancestors in all lines of the children of Hon. John Davis, Governor of Massachusetts, and his wife, Eliza Bancroft, sister of George Bancroft, the historian. The records are full and precise and the lines well carried out. Portraits of Gov. Davis and his wife are given. The author is Hon. Horace Davis, a son of this couple. The book makes a handsome volume. It is a good specimen of such books, which have increased of late.

The book on the Damon family is by Albert F. Damon of Philadelphia. The author traces his own line of the Damon family and gives records of some other families from which he is descended or to which he is allied. It makes a handsome volume.

The Dodge Ancestry gives sketches of the ancestors of Nathan D. Dodge of Ipswich, Mass., and his wife, Sarah Shepard, the parents of the author. The book seems to be carefully compiled. It is embellished with portraits of Mr. Dodge.

The book concerning the Newton and Wallbridge families makes a neat volume and preserves interesting biographical and genealogical details.

The Van Houten pamphlet originally appeared in the *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* for January, 1897, and is reprinted from that periodical. It is carefully prepared.

The Jaudon pamphlet preserves a record of the descendants of Peter Jaudon, a native of France, who came to this country and settled in Bucks Co., Pa. He was the son of Daniel, whose father, Francois, resided in the parish of Maise, in the city and barony of Soubise. The descendants are traced to the present day.

The Allen and Deuel pamphlet records the descendants of John Allen who died at Peru, N. Y., Oct. 11, 1825, aged 73. It gives his children and grandchildren as far as they have been found.

The pamphlet on the ancestors of Moses B. Bass and his wives is the work of Miss Susan Augusta Smith, of North Pembroke, Mass., and was published at Boston in 1896. Mr. Bass was born in Boston July, 1735, and died Jan. 31, 1817. The work is well prepared.

The pamphlet on the Teall Family is by Edward M. Teall of Chicago, Ill. It is devoted to the descendants of Oliver Teall who settled in New Haven, Conn., about 1723.

The Brigham Family Association, whose constitution and proceedings the next pamphlet gives, has for one of its objects to collect genealogical material relating to the descendants of Thomas Brigham, the emigrant who settled in Massachusetts. We hope they will persevere and collect and publish a volume.

Mr. Sanborn's first pamphlet, The Samborne Ancestry, is a reprint from the London *Genealogist* for January last. His second, The First Sambornes of Hampton in New Hampshire, is a reprint from the REGISTER for the same month.

The next pamphlet is by William S. Appleton, A.M., author of the Sumner Genealogy, published in 1879. In January, 1881, he published three pages of Additions and Corrections; in January, 1882, three more pages; in January, 1883, three pages; in January, 1886, three pages; in January, 1890, three pages; in January, 1892, three pages; in January, 1895, three pages, and we have here three more pages, bringing the record down to January, 1897. He has also printed, as a pamphlet, A Partial Bibliography of the Sumner Family.

The pamphlet on Eben Kingman, 2d, is by Eben Kingman of Otis, Maine, and was originally published in 1895 in a newspaper.

The work on the Allyn family is by the late Hon. Charles C. Baldwin, LL.D., of Cleveland, Ohio. It gives an account of Matthew Allyn, an early settler of Cambridge, Mass., and his descendants. It is compiled with care as all Judge Baldwin's works are.

The Eldredge genealogy is a reprint from the REGISTER for January last with large additions.

The tabular pedigree entitled Thomas Kimberly was prepared to the sixth generation by Hon. David Kimberly of New Haven. The record of Gilead and Mary (Bracket) Kimberly is by Mrs. Martha (Kimberly) Lines. The whole is a record of the descendants of Thomas Kimberly, an early settler of New Haven, Conn.

The Reunion of the Lee Family, of which the proceedings are before us, took place at Farmington, Ct., in August, 1896. The exercises on that occasion show that the members of the family are interested in this work.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FROM DECEMBER 1, 1896, TO MARCH 1, 1897.

Prepared by LUCY HALL GREENLAW.

I. Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.

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Lineage of the Bowens of Woodstock, Connecticut. By Edward Augustus Bowen. Cambridge. 1897. 8vo. pp. 245. [250 copies. Price $5.00.]

Ancestry of John Davis, Governor and U. S. Senator, and Eliza Bancroft, his wife, both of Worcester, Massachusetts. Compiled by Horace Davis, A.B., LL.D. San Francisco. 1897. 8vo. pp. 94.

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A Denial of the Charges of Forgery in connection with the Sachems' Deed to Roger Williams. By George T. Paine. Providence. 1896. 4to. pp. 71.

A History of Explorations in the Mississippi Valley. By Stephen D. Peet. [From Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, April, 1896.] Worcester. 1896. 8vo. pp. 35.

Local History.

Diary of Lieut. Samuel Thompson of Woburn, Massachusetts, while in service in the French War, 1758. With notes by William R. Cutter. Boston. 1896. 8vo. pp. 61.

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Societies and Institutions.

Bibliography of American Historical Societies. (The United States and the Dominion of Canada.) By Appleton Prentiss Clark Griffin. Washington. 1896. 8vo. pp. 559. [Price $2.00.]

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Ninth Report on the Custody and Condition of the Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties. By Robert T. Swan, Commissioner. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 37.

Miscellaneous.

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Remarks on the Otis Papers in the Library of the Massachusetts Historical Society. By Samuel A. Green. 8vo. pp. 8.

Rumburgh. By Rev. John James Raven, D.D., F.S.A. Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archæology and Natural History. Vol. IV. 1896. 12mo. pp. 6.

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

BENJAMIN HARRIS, THE FIRST NEWSPAPER IN NEW ENGLAND, AND THE NEW ENGLAND PRIMER.—In 1690 Benjamin Harris, a bookseller of Boston, had a newspaper printed for him by R. Pierce, entitled "Publick Occurrences both Foreign and Domestick," Boston, Thursday, Sept. 25, 1690. It was suppressed by the authorities of the Colony, and probably all the copies were destroyed, except one which seems to have been sent to the English government, and is now preserved in the Public Record Office, London. In the year 1845 the late Rev. Joseph Barlow Felt, LL.D., visited England, and while there discovered this newspaper, of which, in 1849, he gave a description in the second volume of his "Annals of Salem," page 14. In 1856 Hon. Samuel A. Green, LL.D., then in London, obtained permission to copy this newspaper, of which he made a careful transcript, which was printed in 1857 at Boston, Mass., in the August number (pages 228 to 231) of the "Historical Magazine", then edited by the writer of this note. It was reprinted in the "National Intelligencer," Sept. 3, 1857, at Washington, D. C., from which it was again reprinted in 1873 in Hudson's "Journalism in the United States." The late Daniel N. Haskell had a copy of the newspaper made for him, which he received in 1857, about the time that Dr. Green placed his copy in my hands to reprint in the "Historical Magazine." It was Mr. Haskell's intention when he ordered a copy made for him to reprint it in the "Boston Evening Transcript," of which he was editor, but finding that Dr. Green's copy was more carefully made, he did not carry out his intention.

Dr. Green, from whose transcript of "Publick Occurrences" the reprint of 1857 was made, last year procured from London a photographic facsimile of that paper and allowed the "Boston Daily Globe" to reproduce it in their issue of March 4, which was the Globe's 25th anniversary. The original paper, Dr. Green says, is about seven inches by eleven inches (a folio, pot size), and is printed on three sides, the fourth being left blank. Dr. Green has furnished a few facts about the history of the paper for the fourth page of the reprint.

Benjamin Harris came to New England about 1686, and opened a book store in Boston. An historical article on the "New England Primer" by Paul Leicester Ford, was printed in the "Bookman" for October, 1896. Mr. Ford gives strong reasons for believing that Mr. Harris was the compiler and original publisher of the "New England Primer," whose origin has so long been a mystery. J. W. D.

TRUE STORIES OF NEW ENGLAND CAPTIVES CARRIED TO CANADA DURING THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR.—Miss C. Alice Baker of Cambridge, Mass., has in press a book with this title. The book will contain thirteen narratives of the

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ROBERT A. BROCK.—Mr. Brock, whose knowledge of Southern and especially Virginia genealogy is well known, continues to contribute occasionally genealogical articles to the *Richmond Dispatch*. That paper of Feb. 16, 1897, contained an interesting one on the ancestry of General Thomas Sumter of the Revolution.

GILMAN, OF GERMAN DESCENT.—I made a voyage round the world in the winter of 1895–6, and on the steamer "Empress of India," from Vancouver to Hong Kong, encountered a Rev. P. F. Gilman who, with his wife and children, was returning to the Island of Hainan, off the Chinese coast, where he was a Presbyterian missionary. He informed me that he was of Pennsylvania German descent, his grandfather, I think, being the first emigrant. The name was originally spelt Gülmann or Guelmann. There are members of this family still living in Pennsylvania and New York.

I think a knowledge of this German branch not mentioned by either Arthur Gilman in his two volumes on the Gilman family (1863 and 1864) or Alexander W. Gilman in his work noticed in July last (REGISTER, vol. 50, p. 366) may be a help to genealogical inquirers.

Exeter, N. H. J. T. PERRY.

PROBATE RECORDS OF ESSEX COUNTY, MASS.—Mr. Eben Putnam of Salem, Mass., proposes to print abstracts of these records, beginning with volume one and giving every name occurring in the wills and settlements of estates to the close of the eighteenth century. The work will be issued in monthly parts of thirty-two pages each, ten or twelve parts to a volume. It is proposed to begin publishing when fifty advance subscriptions of $5.00 each have been received. The price per volume after publication will be $7.50.

GENEALOGY OF THE CLEVELAND AND CLEAVELAND FAMILIES.—Edmund Janes Cleveland has in press, and will issue next summer, a work with the above title, compiled by himself and the late Horace G. Cleveland. It will make two large 8vo volumes, illustrated, and contain about 2,000 pages. The edition will be limited to six hundred numbered copies, which will be sold to subscribers at $15 a set. Many years have been spent in collecting materials for this work, and the labors of the compilers have been exhaustive. Subscriptions received by Edmund J. Cleveland, 43 Beacon Street, Hartford, Conn.

HISTORY OF GUILFORD, CONN.—Bernard C. Steiner, Ph.D., librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md,. has ready for the press a History of the plantation of Menunkatuck and of the original town of Guilford, comprising the present towns of Guilford and Madison, 1639–1896. It is based upon the manuscript collections of the Hon. Ralph Dunning Smith, auther of the sketch of Guilford published in 1877. Dr. Steiner began work on this book ten years ago and has added much to the materials collected by Judge Smith, who was his grandfather. He has carefully searched the town records, and assistance has been obtaind from other sources. The history will make a volume of about 500 pages and will be tastefully bound in cloth. The price set upon it is $2.50. It will be delivered to subscribers at that price, but the right to advance the price after publication is reserved. The book will not be published till enough copies are subscribed for to defray the cost of manufacture. Address subscriptions to Bernard Steiner, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.

DATE OF ALEXANDER SELKIRK'S DEATH (REGISTER, April, 1897, page 251). Sidney Lee, Esq., editor of the *Dictionary of National Biography*, writes to the editor of the REGISTER, under date of March 17, 1897: "You may be interested to learn that, at my request, Mr. Herbert Hall of the Public Record Office in London examined the pay book of H. M. S. "Weymouth" and found there an entry opposite the name of Alexander Selkirk, master's mate, 'dead 12th Dec. 1721.' This settles the date of death."

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of birth, marriage, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Noyes.—By Col. H. E. Noyes, Fort Wingate, New Mexico.

Spencer.—A history of the Spencer family of Berwick, Maine, is in progress. Those having knowledge of matters of interest relating to the family history will oblige by communicating it to W. D. Spencer, Berwick, Maine.

Thompson.—By B. F. Thompson, Springfield, Mass.

Tufts.—By Larkin Turner Tufts, of Chelsea, Mass., and Dr. E. C. Booth, 40 Boston St., Somerville, Mass.

JUST ONE HALF.—The REGISTER has now been issued 50½ years, of which period for 25¼ years, or exactly one half, I have been an editor of the work. I have been the sole editor for twenty-three and one quarter years, and a joint editor with Messrs. William B. Trask and William H. Whitmore, two years, making twenty-five and a quarter in all. J. W. D.

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Suffolk Deeds, Liber VIII. Boston: Rockwell and Churchill, City Printers. 1896. 8vo. pp. 662.

Excellent notices of the first volume of the Suffolk Deeds, by John Ward Dean, A.M., and the Hon. Charles Levi Woodbury, appeared in the January and July numbers respectively of the REGISTER for 1881. The writer of the first notice, Mr. Dean, the editor of the REGISTER, needs no introduction to its readers. The second notice is by Judge Woodbury, eminent as a lawyer, who also holds a high rank as an historical scholar. His opinion as to the value of such a publication is entitled to great weight.

These volumes have been published (on petition of several of the members of the Suffolk Bar and others) by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, acting as County Commissioners. But (as Mr. Dean has said) to John T. Hassam, Esq. "the public are more indebted than to any other person for bringing this matter to the attention of the members of the bar and the board of aldermen." William B. Trask, Esq., has rendered very valuable assistance in preparing the earlier volumes of this series for publication. Mr. Thomas F. Temple says, in his preface to this volume, that it has been printed from the copy made by Frank E. Bradish, Esq. The board of aldermen has acted wisely in thus preserving and rendering easily accessible the vast amount of historical material contained in these volumes for the use of our own historians and those of future times. For what can be more important, as a means of mental development even, than the cultivation of a love for history? And we may go on by degrees to see not only the great intellectual value of this noble branch of learning, but (and far more than this) the deep, momentous spiritual significance underlying it all inwrought through and through in these (at first sight)

often confused and confusing records which unroll themselves to our view. The study of history is nothing less than the study of man; man in his complex nature, yet ever with an element of good in him; man in his fallen nature, yet ever capable (if he will seek Divine grace) of struggling toward perfection. What secular study can be more important than this, more richly fraught with usefulness to ourselves and to our fellow men? History, that wondrously fascinating life-story of man, is a subject far too large and comprehensive to be ever reduced to the narrow limits of a science. For to pass an accurate estimate upon human nature as there recorded we should take into consideration not only what man has accomplished in the material and intellectual life, but also in the far higher realm of the spiritual life; and can any science of history, so called, hope to adequately fathom the deep spiritual aspirations of man (continual earnest of yet greater progress), these divinely implanted faculties of the human soul? The spiritual cannot be accurately tested by the material. Yet just as tangible as physical and mental impressions, and far more real and lasting, are those made upon the sensitive retina of the soul. As Carlyle has so well said: "It is the spiritual always that determines the material." Nay more, the only enduring thing in life *is* the spiritual; all things else are but passing shadows on the mirror of time. And what splendid incentives are furnished by the study of history, not only to the intellectual life but also to the moral and spiritual life of man. What is history but the record of the lives of our fellow men (and how interesting, how important, nay how sacred may be the inner depths of every life), a record of the defeats and aspirations, of the struggles and victories of the human soul? Let no one say that these heart-cravings of humanity are ever unanswered. Through all these dissolving views, often contradictory though they be, these ebb-tides and flood-tides of human life, the wise student will ever perceive (if he makes careful and reverent investigations) the continual influence of the Holy Spirit energizing, vitalizing, purifying man's heart. And as we survey in the pages of history some of the mighty throng of humanity who have passed from time to eternity, from this life to the other life, countless are the lessons that we may learn, lessons of faith, hope, love, of an ever-deepening consecration to the will of God.

By Daniel Rollins, of Boston.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Scots' Charitable Society of Boston (instituted 1657), with a list of Members and Officers, and many interesting extracts from the original records of the Society. Boston: 1896. 12mo. pp. 218. [Third Edition. Price, $1.00.]

The first edition of this work was issued in 1867; the second, much enlarged, in 1878. The present edition differs from the second chiefly in that it is brought down to date. The most useful feature of the book is the roll of members, which begins in 1657, and affords many valuable clews to the genealogist. The occurrence of the name of Thomas Handasyde Peck in this list of Scotchmen indicates the reason why the compiler of the Peck Genealogy "found so little in relation to his ancestors" in Boston. In this roll of membership the occupation or the former residence of the member is often given. Interesting cases of the former are (1684) "Adam Johnstone, chapman," and (1685) "David Reynolds, chapman in New England"—early instances of the itinerant peddler. Of the latter (1693) "William Ballagh, South Carolina," (1695) "Alexander Piggan, New London," (1699) "John Smithson, Barbadoes," (1716) "David Gentlemen, Monross," and (1717) "Stephen Simmons of Pennsylvania, an Englishman," serve well to illustrate the value of this roll.

A number of Scotch prisoners, taken at the battles of Dunbar and Worcester, were sent to New England (see Suffolk Deeds, Lib. I. fo. 5, and *ante* Vol. I., p. 377), and sold for a term of years. The names of some of these prisoners occur in the list of founders of this Society. The most prominent men among the founders — Robert Porteous and William Cosser — were not prisoners, but had been here several years before Cromwell's victories at Dunbar and Worcester. Doubtless a careful search would bring to light many other Scotchmen who were in New England before 1650. It also appears that the Society was not instituted solely to aid these unfortunates.

By William Prescott Greenlaw, of Cambridge.

History of the Military Company of the Massachusetts, now called The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts. 1637—1888. By OLIVER AYER ROBERTS, Historian of the Company. Volume II.—1738–1821. Boston. 1897. 4to. pp. viii.+479.

The welcome bestowed on the first volume of this work,—noticed in the REGISTER of April, 1896,—will surely be as cordially extended to its successor, in which the annals of the Company are continued to 1821, the date of the cessation of town government in Boston. The prominence of many of the members in the Revolutionary war demanded such an extended space, that the intention to comprise in this volume the entire second century of the Company's chronicles necessarily remains unfulfilled.

The brief residence in Boston of some of the members has rendered it impossible to obtain the copious facts so desirable in the construction of biography. The contribution of material from any quarter respecting those the details of whose career, for this or any reason, are inaccessible to ordinary research, would be of signal assistance in the compilation of the remaining volumes.

The unabridged records of the Company are copied as far as 1800; afterwards only the properly historical entries are retained, unessential matter being very judiciously omitted.

There are thirty-nine illustrations, chiefly portraits, together with a *facsimile* of the proclamation of the "King of the Mohawks," regarded as the handwriting of Col. Edward Proctor, of Boston.

The admirable method of indexing is the same that so inestimably enhanced the value of the former volume, and the authorities have here the same serviceable arrangement as there.

The dedication is to the memory of four Major-Generals,—William Heath, John Brooks, Benjamin Lincoln, William Hull,—officers in the Revolutionary war and members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, who, "with their comrades in arms,

> . . . Shook the feudal tower,
> And shattered slavery's chain as well;
> On the sky's dome, as on a bell,
> Its echo struck the world's great hour."

By Frederic Willard Parke, of Boston.

The Life and Times of John Dickinson. 1732–1808. Prepared at the request of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. By CHARLES J. STILLÉ, LL.D. Philadelphia: The Historical Society of Pennsylvania. 1891. Vol. I., pp. ii.+437.

The Writings of John Dickinson. Vol. I. Political Writings. 1764–1774. Edited at the request of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, by PAUL LEICESTER FORD. Philadelphia: The Historical Society of Pennsylvania. 1895. pp. 20+501.

These volumes contain a wealth of historical material arranged in a careful and orderly manner by the able and learned biographer of John Dickinson, Mr. C. J. Stillé, and the able and learned editor of his political writings, Mr. P. L. Ford. John Dickinson was born of good Quaker stock at Crosiä-Doré in Talbot County, Maryland, Nov. 8, 1732, and died Feb. 14, 1808. As Mr. Ford has said: "He has been aptly termed the 'Penman of the Revolution.' In the literature of that struggle, his position is as pre-eminent as that of Washington in war, Franklin in diplomacy, and Morris in finance." In 1765 he wrote the "Declaration of Rights" of the Stamp Act Congress. From this time to the period when he drafted the Articles of Confederation he wrote much upon political subjects. It is probable that his "Letters from a Farmer" were the most important and exercised the greatest influence of all his political writings. They are throughout models of clear, concise and logical argument. At that time men studied and mastered the best works of the best authors. They may not have given so much time to fruitless reading, they certainly gave more time to thought. It is a delight to read these elegant and forceful periods, this eloquence of the olden time. While Mr. Stillé lays stress on Dickinson's training for the law at the Middle Temple in London, he errs (in the opinion of the writer) in comparing rather unfavorably the English Common Law with the Civil Law. The Common Law as it prevails in England and the United States (modified somewhat by statute law) is without question the most complete prac-

tical system, the best working code of laws ever devised by a free people for the perpetuity of freedom and free institutions. It is the steady outgrowth, the accumulated wisdom of generation after generation of English-speaking, liberty-loving people. It is the great constitution of the English-speaking race (destined perhaps under divine Providence to be that of mankind), preserved and handed down for centuries by parliaments, judges and juries. It has been said (and rightly) that the Church protected the liberties of the people of England from the aggressions of the crown and nobles, but never was it to them the strong defense, the impregnable bulwark, that the grand old Common Law expounded by an able bench and bar has ever been.

By Daniel Rollins, of Boston, Mass.

Half-moon Series. Papers on Historic New York. Edited by MAUD WILDER GOODWIN, ALICE CARRINGTON ROYCE and RUTH PUTNAM. On sale at G. P. Putnam's Sons and at Brentano's, where subscriptions will be received. Issued monthly. Vol. I. Nos. I.—VII. Price, 10 cents a number or $1 a year.

The subjects of the papers already published are: "The Staat Huys of New Amsterdam," by Alice Morse Earle; "King's College," by John B. Pine; "Annetje Jan's Farm," by Ruth Putnam; "Wall Street," by Oswald Garrison Villard; "Governor's Island," by Blanche Wilder Bellamy; "The Fourteen Miles Round," by Alfred Bishop Mason and Mary Murdock Mason; "The City Chest of New Amsterdam," by E. Dana Durand.

The first two of these beautiful and valuable pamphlets are duodecimos: their successors are enlarged to small octavos, and also beautified beyond even the measure of typographical excellence shown in the initial numbers. Hardly less than what would be considered extravagant praise is merited by the perfect form provided for these booklets, whose historic and literary character will obtain for them an extension of the welcome already accorded to them. The City History Club of New York, in whose interest the papers are published, is furnished by them with an additional and efficacious channel for its influence in attracting public attention to the annals and legends of New York. The diversity as well as importance of the topics thus far treated, together with the ability with which they are handled, create the anticipation of a long succession of authentic contributions to local history which will also be prized as vivid illustrations of the beginnings and progress of the nation.

By Frederic Willard Parke, of Boston.

The Church Bells of Buckinghamshire. By A. H. COCKS, M.A., F.Z.S., F.R.G.S. *(London. Jarrold.)* Pp. 760+xxxiv.

Searchers in history and genealogy are familiar enough with sepulchral inscriptions, but few imagine that such objects as bells have a history of their own, and often transmit the names of benefactors, officials and craftsmen. This work makes the eighteenth county in England which has the inscriptions on its bells recorded, and Mr. Cocks may be congratulated on having done his work most thoroughly. The lettering and ornamentation on the bells, which are frequently of excellent design and execution, have received full notice, and no pains have been spared in typography and illustration. Many side-lights are thrown on historical events, such as the capture of the French King, Francis I., at the Battle of Pavia, for which a peal of triumph was ungenerously rung. In tracing the histories of various English foundries from which Buckinghamshire bells have come, Mr. Cocks gives some useful pedigrees. The families of Rudhall, Wells, Knight, Keene, Newcombe, Atton, Chandler and others receive full notice. The book has an interest far beyond its technical title. Perhaps some day we shall see the history of the Bells of Massachusetts.* Doubtless they too have a story to unfold.

By the Rev. J. J. Raven, D.D., Vicar of Fressingfield, England.

* ELBRIDGE H. GOSS, Esq., of Melrose, Mass., has published in the REGISTER (vol. 28, pp. 176, 279, 467; vol. 37, pp. 46, 203; vol. 39. p. 384), a series of articles under the title of "Early Bells of Massachusetts," in which articles he includes an account of seventeen chimes of bells, all that were in use in Massachusetts to October, 1885, with the inscriptions of the several bells in each chime.—EDITOR.

The Richmond Family, 1594-1896, and pre-American Ancestors, 1040-1594. By JOSHUA BAILEY RICHMOND, member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society. With Fac-Similes of Signatures, Commissions and other Documents. Boston. Published by the Compiler. 1897. Imperial 8vo. pp. xviii.+614. [For sale by the author at 114 State street, Boston. Price $7.50.]

Fortunate indeed are the Richmonds of America in possessing a memorial of such distinction, in its aspects both of ornament and use, as the volume resulting from the fifteen years' labor of Mr. Richmond. Eighteen thousand of this fine name, and of those allied to it, here secure registry in a book whose materials, some of which came into the compiler's hands in an unusually confused condition, at length have been, with the indispensably immense pains of the genealogist, reduced to order, and presented to the world in a form exhibiting the perfection of the bookmaker's craft.

Bound in russet leather and canvas, printed on deckle-edged paper of superior texture, with type of surpassing clearness, and illustrated in a style befitting the typography, this superb volume affords a gratification to the eye of taste scarcely inferior to that which will be experienced by the present and future descendants of John Richmond, of England, and Taunton, Mass., in scanning the records of a family whose culture, integrity, ability and patriotism have won a commemoration that will most justly excite their pride, and the genealogical thoroughness of which will probably enable all of his descendants to trace their ancestry to the natal year of the emigrant from Ashton Keynes.

By Frederic Willard Parke, of Boston.

Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Historical Memoranda, with Lists of Members and their Revolutionary Ancestors. Boston: Published by the Society. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. 512.

Register of Members of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with their Constitution and By-Laws. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. 181.

Year Book of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the Revolution. January 1, 1897. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 91+83.

Register of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution in Iowa. Davenport: Edward Borcherdt, Printer. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. 77.

We have before us four more volumes issued by State Societies of the Sons of the Revolution and Sons of the American Revolution. Besides the rolls of membership, their records of service by their ancestors, and other genealogical matter, they preserve many historical documents, some in fac-simile and some in print, views of historic buildings and other relics of our Revolutionary war. The zeal which the members show in preserving the memory of their fathers is deserving of the highest commendation.

Bibliography of American Historical Societies. (The United States and the Dominion of Canada). By APPLETON PRENTISS CLARK GRIFFIN. (From the Annual Report of the American Historical Association for 1895, pages 677-1236.) (Reprinted, with additions and revision, from Annual Reports for 1890 and 1892.) Washington: Government Printing Office. 1896.

The Bibliography of the American Historical Societies published under the auspices of the American Historical Association is a work of no small importance. Research, care and thoroughness characterize it. Only an adept could bring this wide range of titles, names and subjects together. Henceforth the student of American history cannot do his work without access to this exhaustive bibliography of studies published by the historical societies of America. Mr. Griffin deserves much gratitude. He adds also to his reputation as a student of authors and titles.

By the Rev. Anson Titus, Somerville, Mass.

Roll of the New Hampshire Men at Cape Breton, 1745. Concord, N. H.: Edward N. Pearson, Public Printer. 1895. Royal 8vo. pp. 63.

A handsome marble column was erected by the Society of Colonial Wars at Louisburg to commemorate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the seige and surrender of that fortress. On the 17th of June, 1895, it was unveiled. We have before us the report of George C. Gilmore, who was appointed,

by the governor of New Hampshire, a commissioner to attend the celebration and to collect the historical facts, with the names of the New Hampshire soldiers and sailors in the expedition, and to cause the same to be printed. Mr. Gilmore's report makes a handsome book, and contains much matter that will be particularly interesting to New Hampshire people.

Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Charter of the College of William and Mary. 1693. 1893. Edited by LYON G. TYLER. Printed by Whittet & Shepperson. 1894. 4to. pp. 49.

The Bicentenary of the College of William and Mary was celebrated four years ago at Williamsburg, Wednesday, June 21, 1893. This volume published in that year contains the proceedings. A poem, entitled "Alma Mater," was read by the author, Charles Washington Coleman, of Williamsburg; an able historical oration was delivered by J. Allen Watts, Esq., of Roanoke, Va. An "interesting feature of Biennial Day was the presentation by Robert M. Hewes, Esq., of Norfolk, in behalf of the State Bar Association, of a beautiful brass memorial tablet, placed in the walls of the chapel, beneath the floor of which lie the bones of several distinguished Virginians." The tablet bears an inscription in honor of George Wythe, LL.D., member of the Continental Congress. Mr. Hughes on presenting the tablet made an eloquent address. The celebration closed with a banquet and addresses in the evening. The book makes an elegant volume, handsomely printed and bound, and does credit to the occasion, and to the venerable college whose history it is intended to preserve. It is antedated only in this country by Harvard College.

The Uxbridge Academy: A Brief History. With a Biographical Sketch of J. Mason Macomber, A.M., M.D., Preceptor. By WILLIAM A. MOWRY, A.M., Ph.D. Boston, Mass.: Everett Press Company. 1897. 12mo. pp. 151.

This is a well written history of Uxbridge Academy, the principal feature of which is a biography of Joshua Mason Macomber, A.M., M.D., the preceptor, from 1841 to 1850. The decade during which he held the office is said to have been the palmy period of the academy. The sketch of Dr. Macomber is a highly interesting account of a successful educator, whose pupils include many prominent men. Sketches of others who held the office of preceptor or were graduates of the institution are given. A view of the academy and portraits of Dr. and Mrs. Macomber embellish the book.

Ye Catalog of Epitaphs from Ye Old Burying Ground on Meeting House Hill in Methuen, Massachusetts. Published by the Methuen Historical Society. 1897. 12mo. pp. 116.

The Methuen Historical Society does a good service in issuing the above volume of Epitaphs. The Old Burying Ground was laid out in 1728, and was enlarged in 1803. For fifty years it was the only one in the town. Through the liberality of Mr. Edward F. Searles the condition of the ground has been much improved within a few years. Mr. Charles H. T. Mann, under whose superintendence this work has been done, has furnished copies of the inscriptions which are here printed by the Historical Society.

The society had previously issued two numbers of its regular series of publications. No. 1 contains the opening address after the organization of the society, by the president, Hon. Joseph Sidney Howe, and an article on the Music of Other Days in Methuen, by Miss Lizzie B. Carter. No. 2 contains an Address, May 13, 1896, on The Merrimack Valley, by Mr. Robert H. Tewskbury.

Year-Book of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Constitution and By-Laws. Addresses and Original Papers. List of Members, etc. Publication No. 3. Boston: Printed for the Society. 1897. 8vo. pp. 236.

The Society of the Colonial Wars of the State of Illinois. List of Officers and Members. Together with a record of the service performed by their Ancestors in the Wars of the Colonies. Publication No. 3. Chicago: 1897. 8vo. pp. 161.

Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Colorado. Compiled by THOMAS WALN-MORGAN DRAPER, Secretary. Denver, Colorado, April 1st, 1897. 8vo. pp. 75.

These patriotic societies are doing a good work in general as well as family history. The books before us are got up in the highest style of the typographic

art. They contain the Constitutions and By-Laws of the several societies, the rolls of membership, the records of services performed by ancestors of the members, and other matters usually found in the Society's Year Books. The Massachusetts book contains also an able article on the six hundredth anniversary of the English Parliament, and accounts of the Expeditions against Port Royal in 1710 and Quebec in 1711, and various historical documents, illustrated by numerous engravings. The Iowa book gives portraits of the members of the society. The Colorado book gives a catalogue of the society's library.

The Genealogical Magazine; a Journal of Family History, Heraldry and Pedigrees. London: Elliot Stock, 62 Paternoster Row. New York: J. W. Bouton, 10 West 28th Street. Vol. 1, No. 1, May, 1897. Imp. 8vo. pp. 64. Price 1 shilling a number.

Mr. Elliot Stock of London has begun the publication of a new magazine, the first number of which is before us. The periodical promises to be a great aid to those interested in family history and kindred subjects. This number contains articles on (1) The Surrender of the Isle of Wight, by J. H. Round; (2) William Bradford's History of Plymouth Plantation; (3) An Ancient Augmentation; (4) The Sobieski Stuarts, by Henry Jenner, F.S.A.; (5) Shakespeare's Family, by Mrs. Charlotte Carmichael Stopes; (6) A Devonshire Manuscript, by James Dallas, F.L.S.; (7) A List of Strangers, by Rev. A. W. Cornelius Hallen; (8) Nelson and his Enchantress.

The number also contains Queries and Correspondence; a Gazette of the Month, being a Chronicle of Creations, Deaths and other Matters; and some items of current events, entitled "By the Way." The articles are ably written, and we hope the work will be liberally supported.

Town of Weston. The Tax Lists, 1757–1827. Boston: Alfred Mudge & Son. 1897. 8vo., pp. 409.

The volume before us is the third which the Town of Weston has published, all of which have been edited by Miss Mary Frances Peirce, in a style that does credit to her. In the two previous volumes, the records of the first precinct have been printed to 1754, and those of the town clerk to 1826. The tax lists which are here printed will be of great service to the genealogist. We know of no other town that has published theirs. They must have cost much labor to copy and arrange them. A map of the town in 1794 is given. We hope other towns will follow the example of Weston.

Proceedings of the Littleton (Mass.) Historical Society, No. 1, 1894–5. Published by the Society. 1896. 8vo. pp. 186. $1.50, postpaid.

This volume is a very creditable one. It contains more intelligent writing upon matters of local interest than an average town history gives. The name, Nashoba, brought down from Eliot's praying Indians and their predecessors, is the subject of careful inquiry; and a large amount of valuable information upon Eliot, the Indians, and colonial life is brought out. Landmarks from old deeds; twigs from the old elms; a history of the town lyceum; reminiscences of the civil war; these are a few of the topics treated. But to the readers of the REGISTER perhaps no part of the volume will have more value than the forty-six pages of epitaphs from the old burying ground at Littleton Common; since many of our Massachusetts families are represented in that ancient godsacre. Mr. Herbert J. Harwood, chairman of the committee, has done his share of the essay work, copied the epitaphs, and earned the thanks of all readers by careful editing and indexing. The book will find a place in many libraries.

By Rev. Charles Henry Pope, of Cambridge, Mass.

The Historical Collections of the Topsfield Historical Society. Vol. II. 1896. Topsfield, Mass. Published by the Society. 1896. 8vo. pp. 19.

This second volume of the Collections of the Topsfield Historical Society is principally devoted to the early records of Topsfield. "The first book of original clerk's records now in existence begins with the year 1675," but such earlier records which were deemed "needful" are transcribed into the "new Towne booke." The old book seems to have been lost. The Society could not do better than they have done in preserving the records of the town by printing them.

A Biographical Sketch of Rev. Samuel Kendal, D.D., from 1783 to 1814, Minister of the First Church of Weston, Mass. By GEORGE A. ROBINSON. Boston: George H. Ellis, Printer. 1897. 8vo. pp. 32.

In this book Mr. Robinson has preserved the biography of Rev. Dr. Kendal, who for more than thirty years was the honored and beloved pastor of the town of Weston. It is a well written book, filled with interesting details. It has evidently been compiled with great care, and pains has been taken to gather up reminiscences of the minister of Weston and his associates.

The Bi-Centennial Celebration of the First Congregational Church and Society of Danbury, Connecticut, May 24–31, 1896. Danbury, Conn. News Book and Job Print. 1896. 8vo. pp. 101.

We have here the proceedings at the two hundredth anniversary of the First Congregational Church at Danbury. The history of the corporation begins with the granting of the charter by the legislature May 14, 1696, but the church reaches farther back. A good account of its early history is found in the Century Sermon of Rev. Thomas Robbins, D.D., reprinted by Mrs. Hill in the History of Danbury (REGISTER, vol. 50, p. 494). The exercises on the occasion are very creditable to those who took part in them. There were historical addresses by the Rev. Albert F. Pierce, the pastor, Hon. Lyman D. Brewster, Rev. Thomas R. Noble, D.D. and others. Mrs. Susan B. Hill contributes an article on "Memories of the Old Church," and others furnish interesting articles on other subjects, illustrating the history of the First Church in Danbury.

The Palatine or German Immigration to New York and Pennsylvania. By Rev. SANFORD H. COBB, of Albany, N. Y. Wilkes-Barré, Pa. 1897.

This is a paper read before the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, and is published by the society. It is a part of a larger manuscript which the author hopes soon to publish in book form under the title of "The Story of the Palatines. An Episode in Colonial History." It gives some of the more important facts in the larger work. The story of the Palatine emigration to these shores in the early part of the last century and their remarkable experiences are well told by Mr. Cobb.

Register of the Society of the Cincinnati of Maryland, brought down to February 22d, 1897. Baltimore: Published by order of the Society. 1897. Super Royal 8vo. pp. 111.

This volume contains an historical sketch of the General Society of the Cincinnati; Annals of the Cincinnati of Maryland; Officers of the General Society, May 19, 1896; officers of the Maryland Society, Feb. 22, 1897; officers of the General Society from 1783 to 1896; officers of the Maryland Society from 1783 to 1897; present members of the Cincinnati of Maryland, and other statistics and historical matter. The society fosters a patriotic spirit in our community. The book shows that it is in a prosperous condition.

James G. Birney and his Times. The Genesis of the Republican Party, with some account of the Abolition Movements in the South before 1828. By WILLIAM BIRNEY, Ex-Brevet Major General, United States Volunteers. New York: D. Appleton & Company. 1890. 12mo. xii.+443.

The biography of James Gillespie Birney, by his son Maj.-Gen. William Birney, is a well written and instructive book. James G. Birney, a native of Kentucky, was a prominent figure in the Anti-Slavery party, and the book furnishes us with much information about the principal leaders in that movement, as well as concerning Mr. Birney himself. The book is embellished with a portrait of James G. Birney.

Men of Achievement. Inventors. By PHILIP G. HUBERT, Jr. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. 1893. 12mo. pp. 299.

This is one of the Men of Achievement series of volumes, published by Charles Scribner's Sons. It contains accounts of Benjamin Franklin, Robert Fulton, Eli Whitney, Samuel F. B. Morse, Charles Goodyear, John Ericsson, Cyrus H. McCormick, Thomas A. Edison and Alexander Graham Bell, with sketches of a number of other American inventors. It is well written, handsomely printed and has numerous fine illustrations. It has a table of contents.

Abstracts of Early Woburn Deeds recorded at Middlesex County Registry. 1649 to 1700. By EDWARD F. JOHNSON. With Some Explanatory Notes. The News Print, Woburn. 1895. 8vo. pp. 78+xii. Fifty copies printed.

The abstracts were first printed in the Woburn newspaper, "The News," and are here reprinted in a volume. They are believed, says Judge Johnson, "to include all Woburn deeds bearing date in seventeenth century, and now on record at Cambridge." The full genealogical and historical notes add much to the value of the work. We hope that this example will be followed in other towns.

Soldiers of the American Revolution in Lebanon, Maine. By GEORGE WALTER CHAMBERLAIN, B.S. Weymouth, Mass.: Weymouth and Braintree Publishing Co. 1897. 8vo. pp. 48. Price 50 cents.

The object of this pamphlet is to give "accurate military, biographical and genealogical information concerning ninety-five soldiers of Lebanon and their families." Mr. Chamberlain has done this in a thorough manner and deserves much praise for his work.

Transcendentalism in New England; a Lecture delivered before the Society of Philosophic Enquiry, Washington, D. C., May 7, 1895. Boston: Sold by Roberts Brothers. 1897. 8vo. pp. 38. Price, 40 cents.

Mrs. Caroline Healy Dall is the author of the Lecture here printed. We know of no one living who is better acquainted with the history of the famous Transcendental movement which was a prominent topic of conversation half a century ago. She was well acquainted with the leaders in this movement, and graphically portrays their characteristics, and records what they accomplished. She finds in Anne Hutchinson a forerunner of the transcendentalists of the present century. "The arc," says she, "which we call transcendental was subtended by a cord held at first by Anne Hutchinson, and lost in the Atlantic waves with Margaret Fuller."

Somerville, Past and Present; an Illustrated Historical Souvenir, commemorative of the Twenty Fifth Anniversary of the Establishment of the City Government of Somerville, Massachusetts. Edited by EDWARD A. SAMUELS and HENRY H. KIMBALL, A.M. Boston: Published by Samuels and Kimball, 1897. Super royal, 8vo. pp. 671.

This elegant volume is intended to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the incorporation of Somerville as a city. The town of Somerville was incorporated May 3, 1842, and received its city charter April 14, 1871. In it is preserved a very satisfactory history of the city, its business and its principal citizens. The history proper of Somerville fills 142 pages; the history of the city government fills 35 pages; the history of the schools, police, fire department, water supply, public library, churches, social organizations, banks and business, fills over 100 pages; and the rest of the volume—nearly 200 pages—is devoted to biographies. There are numerous portraits and other fine engravings scattered through the book. The reader will find in this volume a mass of interesting facts concerning the past and present history of the enterprizing town and city of Somerville. Such a memorial will last longer than bronze or marble.

John Eliot, the Puritan Missionary to the Indians. By EZRA HOYT BYINGTON, D.D., Newton, Massachusetts. [Reprinted from Vol. VIII., American Society of Church History.] The Knickerbocker Press. 1897. 8vo. pp. 145.

The man who, however indirectly, was the means of introducing into the English—or, rather, the American—language the word "Mug-Wump," would by very few be supposed the same who first asked the little Indians of Nonantum the questions: "Who made you? Who redeemed you from sin and hell? How many commandments are there?" The amazing labors of the framer of this first Indian catechism are related by Dr. Byington in an ungarnished narrative whose absorbingly interesting facts, in the lucid presentation which this pamphlet displays, with corroboration of authorities, again remind us that, notwithstanding the successes won by the sacred ardor of Eliot and his coadjutors, yet, in the end, after the Indians had tasted the unmistakable significance of the white man's religion in its practical relations to them, their collective

sentiment must have applauded King Philip's exclamation to the missionary, "I care no more for your gospel than for the button on your coat."

By Frederic Willard Parke, of Boston.

History of the Kimball Family in America from 1634 to 1897 and of Its Ancestors, the Kemballs or Kemboldes of England. With an Account of the Kembles of Boston, Massachusetts. By LEONARD ALLISON MORRISON, A.M., and STEPHEN PASCHALL SHARPLES, S.B. With Illustrations. Boston: Damrell & Upham. 1897. 8vo. 2 vols. pp. viii.+1278. Price $7.

Family Record and Biography. Compiled by LEANDER JAMES MCCORMICK. Chicago: 1896. Royal 8vo. pp. 478+12.

Family Trees Accompanying The Genealogy of the McCormick Family. By LEANDER JAMES MCCORMICK. Chicago, Illinois. 1896. Royal 8vo. Tabular pedigree.

The Descendants of Thomas Dickenson, Son of Nathaniel and Anna Gull Dickenson of Wethersfield, Connecticut, and Hadley, Massachusetts. Compiled by FREDERICK DICKINSON. 1897. Imp. 8vo. pp. 145. Price $4.00 delivered. Address the compiler, 226 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

A Partial Record of the Descendants of John Tifft of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and the Nearly Complete Record of the Descendants of John Tifft of Nassau, New York. Compiled by MARIA E. (MAXON) TIFFT. The Peter Paul Book Company, Buffalo, N. Y. 1896. 8vo. pp. 159+14.

John Lee of Farmington, Hartford Co., Conn., and His Descendants; Containing over 4000 Names. 1634-1897. Second Edition. First Edition by Sarah Marsh Lee of Norwich, Conn., 1878. With much miscellaneous history of the family. Compiled by LEONARD LEE and SARAH FISKE LEE. Published by the Lee Association. Meriden, Conn. 1897. 8vo. pp. 527+lxv.+1. Price $5.

Lane Genealogies. Vol. II. Compiled by JAMES HILL FITTS. Exeter, N. H.: The News-Letter Press. 1897. 8vo. pp. x.+299. Price $3.50. Address, Rev. James H. Fitts, Newfields, N. H.

Garland Genealogy. The Descendants of the Northern Branch of Peter Garland, Mariner, admitted resident of Charlestown, Massachusetts Bay, in 1832. By JAMES GRAY GARLAND. Biddeford, Me.: Watson's Print. 1897. 8vo. pp. 214.

Genealogical Memoranda of the Quisenberry Family and Other Families. By ANDERSON CHENAULT QUISENBERRY. Washington, D. C.: Hartman & Cadick, Printers. 1897. 8vo. pp. 204.

[*The Manning Pedigree.*] Tabular pedigree, 11 in. by 14 in. (size of print 8¼ in. by 11½ in.).

The Walworths in America, comprising five chapters of Family History, with additional chapters of Genealogy. By CLARENCE A. WALWORTH. Published by Weed-Parsons Printing Company. Albany, N. Y. 1897. 8vo. pp. vi.+190. Price, $2.

Memorial of the De Forsyths de Fronsac. By FREDERICK GREGORY FORSYTH, Viscount de Fronsac. Boston: Press of Rockwell & Churchill. 1897. 8vo. pp. 40. Price, $5. To be obtained of James B. Forsyth, 256 Devonshire Street, Boston.

Rymes Genealogy. Samuel Rymes of Portsmouth, N. H., and his Descendants. Compiled by CHRISTOPHER E. RYMES, Somerville, Mass. 1897. 4to. 13 leaves.

Genealogy of the Ela Family, descendants of Israel Ela of Haverhill, Mass. Compiled by Rev. DAVID HOUGH ELA, D.D. Edward S. Ela, Printer, Manchester, Conn. 8vo. pp. 44. Address of compiler, 38 Bromfield Street, Boston.

Some Account of the Wyman Genealogy and Wyman Families in Herts County, England. By HORACE WYMAN. 8vo. pp. 39.

To My Boy, Thomas Head Thomas. Dayton, Ohio. 1886. Address of compiler, Alfred Addison Thomas, Dayton, Ohio. 8vo. pp. 39.

Leeds; A New Jersey Family. Its Beginnings and Branches. By Clara Louise Horneston, once of Horneston, Iowa. Issued by B. F. Leeds, 528 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 8vo. pp. 17.

The Family Record, devoted for 1897 to the Sackett, the Weygant and the Mapes Families. Published monthly by C. H. Weygant. Newburgh, N. Y. $1 a year.

The Bentley Family, with Genealogical Records of the Ohio Bentleys descended from Benjamin Bentley, an Ohio Pioneer, and known as The Tribe of Benjamin. By General ROBERT BRINKERHOFF, Mansfield, Ohio. 1897. 8vo. pp. 20.

Account of the Fourth Annual Gathering of the Bailey-Bayley Family Association held at Rowley, Mass., August 19th, 1896. Somerville Citizen Print. 1897. 8vo. pp. 34.

Mower Genealogy. 1690 to 1897. By EPHRAIM MOWER. 8vo. pp. 12. Address, E. Mower, Worcester, Mass.

The Rogers Family of Georgetown. By JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND. [Portland, Me. 1897]. 8vo. pp. 37.

Official Report of the First American Tyler Family Reunion, held at North Andover, Mass., Wednesday, September 2, 1896. By WILLARD I. TYLER BRIGHAM. Chicago, Ill. 1897. Super Royal. 8vo. pp. 47. Edition limited. Price 50 cents. Address, Willard I. T. Brigham, Chicago, Ill.

Traditions Concerning the Origin of the American Munsons, Gathered and Digested by MYRON A. MUNSON. New Haven: The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Press. 1897. 8vo. pp. 6.

The Historical Journal of the More Family. No. 4, 1897. DAVID F. MORE, Editor. Bangor, Pa. 8vo. 12 pages (33 to 44).

A Genealogy of the Descendants of John Bulfinch of Boston, Massachusetts, 1700–1895. By EDWARD F. JOHNSON. Woburn: The News print. 1895. Sq. 12 mo. pp. 15. 50 copies printed.

A Sermon at the Funeral in Boscobel, Wisconsin, of the Rev. Samuel R. Thrall. By JOSEPH E. ROY, D.D. Chicago: Wm. Johnson Printing Co. 1894. 12 mo. pp. 35. Contains much genealogical matter.

Who Carried the Alarm to Watertown? By WM. H. WHITNEY, 15 Court Street, Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 4.

Edmund Hobart. Tabular pedigree of descendants. 1897. Broadside, 12½ by 16 in. Address, Rev. Alvah S. Hobart, D.D., Yonkers, N. Y.

The Brigham Young Family. Tabular pedigree. Broadside, 11 by 17 in. Price 25 cents. Address, Mrs. Susa Young Gates, Cor. Sec. Young Family Association, Provo, Utah.

Chart of the Descendants of Thomas and Elizabeth Wardell. Broadside, 24 by 38 inches.

The "Mayflower" Fuller Family. By F. A. FULLER. Mt. Vernon, N. H. 1896. 12 mo. pp. 8.

Langley of Newport, R. I. By ISAAC J. GREENWOOD.

John Curtis of Roxbury, Mass., and his Family. By HOWARD REDWOOD GUILD. 1897. 8vo. pp. 2.

Snow Genealogy. By Mrs. CHARLES L. ALDEN of Troy, N. Y. 1897. 8vo. pp. 4. Concluding part.

De Tours-Lentilhon Pedigree. Broadside, 18 by 24 inches.

We continue in this number our quarterly list of books relating to family history recently published.

The first book, the History of the Kimball Family, is a work on which an immense amount of labor has been bestowed. Mr. Morrison, one of the compilers, is the author of the Morrison Family and several other books on family and local history. The other compiler, Mr. Sharples, is well known as an indefatigable collector of genealogical material, who is never satisfied while there is any doubt about any particular fact. In these two volumes is recorded a mass of facts about the several Kimball families in New England and much about English families. The Kimballs, Mr. Morrison states, "are a most prolific race; its branches extend in all directions, and its members have become as numerous as the leaves. To trace them out and to gather in their separate histories was like gathering in and numbering the autumnal forest leaves." It is a wonder that he and Mr. Sharples have accomplished their task in so satisfactory a manner. The work is clearly arranged, the biographies are carefully prepared, and the genealogical matter is full and precise. The book is one

that the Kimballs may be proud of. It is well printed and illustrated by numerous portraits and other engravings. The index is a remarkably fine one.

The Family Record and Biography of Mr. McCormick is truly an elegant book. It is well printed, illustrated with numerous fine portraits, and is well indexed. No better memorial of a family could be devised than this. The family trees in the volume which accompanies it are prepared with care.

The Dickinson Family is another beautiful book. It is printed on heavy deckle-edge paper and bound in a substantial manner, with a model index giving names with locations of births and deaths. "To perpetuate the memory of men and women who for more than two hundred and fifty years have left an honorable record in America," the author tells us, is the object of this volume. The book is well compiled.

The book on the Tifft family is another genealogy that is an honor to the family and to Mr. Tifft, the compiler. The materials are carefully collected and compiled. It makes a handsome volume, being finely bound, printed on fine deckle-edge paper, and rubricated. It gives a record of the descendants of John Tifft of Portsmouth, R. I., who died in 1676.

The Lee book is a second edition of a volume published in 1878, by Miss Sarah Marsh Lee, who died in 1892. It is much enlarged and otherwise improved. Besides the descendants of John Lee of Farmington it contains brief notices of other Lee families in New England. It is embellished with many portraits and other engravings. It makes a compact volume of about 600 pages, and is well indexed. Appended to the genealogy is a full account of the Reunion of the Descendants of John Lee at Farmington, Ct., August 12 and 13, 1896.

The second volume of the Lane Genealogies is just issued. The first volume, compiled by Rev. Jacob Chapman and Rev. James H. Fitts, was published in 1891, and noticed at the time in the REGISTER. The present volume is by Rev. Mr. Fitts. It contains the descendants of William Lane of Boston, Capt. John Lane of York County, Me., and Capt. John Lane of Fishersfield, N. H. This volume contains the descendants of William Lane of Dorchester, Mass.; Robert Lane of Stratford, Ct.; John Lane of Milford, Ct.; John M. Lane of Boston; Daniel Lane of New London, Ct., and George Lane of Rye, N. Y. The book is well compiled, well indexed, handsomely printed and illustrated with portraits.

The volume on the Garland family is a very full account of the descendants of Peter Garland, an early settler of Charlestown, Mass. It is carefully compiled, and makes a handsome book, with a good index. It is illustrated with portraits. We learn from this volume that James A. Garland, Jr., of Chestnut Hill, Mass., is compiling a genealogy of the southern branch of the Garland family.

The Quisenberry family, to which the next volume is devoted, is descended from John Quisenberry of Westmoreland County, Va., from which the name has spread into Kentucky, North Carolina and other states. The characteristics of the family have been "honesty, industry, candor and thrift." Besides the Quisenberrys, there are brief genealogies of Bush, Chenault, Mullen, Cameron, Broomfield and Finkle. The book gives an interesting account of the families and is well printed and illustrated by portraits.

This Manning tabular pedigree, the next work on our list, is the result of researches made by Mr. Henry F. Waters, in England, and was compiled by him some years ago. The pedigree was lithographed at the time, for Col. Henry Lee, who had a few impressions taken for relatives descended from the Salem families of Higginson and Manning. Later, Mr. Walter K. Watkins had a fac-simile lithographed of a reduced size. A copy is before us. No title is given to it, but we have supplied one. Only a few copies were taken for some descendants of the Higginsons. Mr. Waters has since compiled a fuller pedigree of Manning, which appears in the present number of the REGISTER, facing page 389. In compiling the last pedigree, he has incorporated into it a large portion, if not all, of the facts in the pedigree here noticed.

The Walworth book is by the eldest son of the late Chancellor Reuben H. Walworth, whose Genealogy of the Hyde Family is well known. A few memoranda collected by his father stimulated the compiler to further research and the result is the very satisfactory volume before us. It gives the descendants of William Walworth, who came to this country in 1689 and settled on Fisher's Island, and contains much interesting matter about the emigrant ancestor and the region where he settled, and a full genealogy of his descendants. It is

handsomely printed in large type, tastefully bound, and embellished with eleven engravings.

The volume on the Forsyth family gives a history of the family in France, Scotland, Ireland, and this country. The generations in the New World are quite fully traced. The book is well compiled, makes a handsome volume and is embellished with fine engravings. Several views in De Fronsac's Domain in Acadia are given.

The emigrant ancestor of the Rymes family here recorded is found at Portsmouth, N. H., about 1690. The infrequency of the name and the certainty that his son who, like his father, was a master mariner, had business relations with Barbados, and that there was much commerce between that island and Portsmouth, suggest to the compiler the possibility that Samuel Rymes was a descendant of Henry Rymes who in January, 1635, was a passenger to Barbados from London (REGISTER, vol. 14, p. 347).

The book on the Ela family is a record of the descendants of Israel Ela of Haverhill, Mass., who took the freeman's oath in 1677. It is a careful compilation, well printed and indexed. It will be a useful book particularly to the Elas.

The Wyman book contains the result of researches in Hertfordshire, England, suggested by Mr. Waters's discovery of the will of Francis Wyman, father of Francis and John Wyman, the Woburn immigrants (REGISTER, vol. 43, p. 156). It will particularly interest descendants. Many views of buildings and scenery connected with Wymans are given, and fac-similies of portions of parish registers with Wyman entries. The author is of the ninth generation from John Wyman of Woburn, born 1621.

Mr. Alfred A. Thomas, the author of the next pamphlet, addressed "To my boy, Thomas Head Thomas," gives in it to his son, now a boy of sixteen years, much information about his ancestors and kinsmen. It will interest other kinsmen besides his son.

The Leeds pamphlet gives the record of the descendants of Thomas Leeds of Shrewsbury, N. J., who with his three sons and their wives settled there about 1676.

The periodical entitled "The Family Record" is devoted to preserving the records of the Sackett, the Weygant and the Mapes families. This is a good way to excite interest in family history and to preserve detached records.

The Bentley pamphlet gives a record of the descendants of Benjamin Bentley, an Ohio pioneer, with some notices of his ancestors who were from Rhode Island.

The Bailey-Bayley pamphlet gives an account of a family gathering at Rowley, Mass., Aug. 19, 1896. A poem by Mrs. Elizabeth S. E. Bailey, several addresses, some genealogical data and a list of members are here printed.

The Mower pamphlet gives a brief genealogy from Samuel Mower, of Worcester, Mass., born 1690, to the present time.

The Rogers pamphlet, by Judge Drummond, of Portland, Me., traces the genealogy of the Rogers family of Georgetown, Me., who were of Scotch-Irish descent, from the early part of the last century to the present time. The author was induced to preserve in print the facts which he collected with much difficulty, as many of the statements in town histories he found to be imperfect and sometimes erroneous.

The Tyler pamphlet gives the proceedings of the Tyler gathering at North Andover, Mass., last September. A permanent Tyler Association was formed, of which Prof. Moses Coit Tyler was chosen president. Addresses were made and poems read. Some genealogical material is preserved. The secretary and historian of the association, Willard I. Tyler Brigham, of Chicago, Ill., is preparing to publish in three volumes, a complete Tyler Family History.

The Munson pamphlet is by the author of the Munson Record in two volumes noticed by us in April, 1896. In it Rev. Mr. Munson records and reviews the numerous traditions that have come to him in relation to the Munson name and history.

The Historical Journal of the More Family was noticed by us in July, 1896. A fourth annual number is before us containing material of interest to the family.

The Bulfinch pamphlet is by Judge Johnson, of Woburn. After some remarks on the early settlers of this surname, the descendants are given of John Bulfinch of Boston, Mass., who was married to Elizabeth Bumstead, by Rev.

Thomas Prince, Nov. 3, 1720. The author states that for six generations with a possible exception he considers it as complete as ordinary diligence can make it.

The Funeral Sermon on Rev. Samuel R. Thrall has an appendix of genealogical matter. The families whose records are given are those of Thrall, Bowman and Chipman.

In the pamphlet entitled "Who Carried the Alarm to Watertown, April 18, 1775?", the author, Wm. H. Whitney of Boston, gives facts to prove that it was his great-grandfather, Abraham Whitney of Watertown, who carried the Alarm to Watertown.

The Hobart tabular pedigree gives a partial list of the descendants of Edmund Hobart, of Hingham, to the fifth generation.

The Brigham Young Family tabular pedigree traces the ancestry of Brigham Young to his great-grandfather, Willam Young, who resided in Barrington and Nottingham, N. H., but died in Hopkinton, Mass., in 1747. An Addenda of "Associated Names" is given.

The Wardell tabular pedigree gives the descendants of Thomas and Elizabeth Wardell, of Boston, 1634, for nine generations, arranged in an ingenious manner.

The pamphlet on the Mayflower Fullers gives some of the descendants of the Fullers of Plymouth colony for eight generations. Among these descendants is Hon. Melville Weston Fuller, LL.D., Chief Justice of the United States.

The Langley, Curtis and Snow pamphlets are reprints from the Register.

The De Tours-Lentilhon tabular pedigree is compiled by Herman Foster Robinson, of 37 West 35th Street, New York. It gives the descendants of Antoine Gerbes de Tours for several generations to the compiler and his brothers and sisters.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS,

PRESENTED TO THE NEW-ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FROM MARCH 1, 1897, TO JUNE 1, 1897.

Prepared by LUCY HALL GREENLAW.

I. *Publications written or edited by Members of the Society.*

Genealogy.

The Richmond Family, 1594-1896, and Pre-American Ancestors, 1040-1594. By Joshua Bailey Richmond. With fac-similes of signature, commissions and other documents. Published by the Compiler. Boston. 1897. 4to. pp. xix.+614. [Price $7.50.]

History of the Kimball Family in America, from 1634 to 1897, and of its ancestors The Kemballs or Kemboldes of England. With an account of the Kembles of Boston, Massachusetts. By Leonard Allison Morrison, A.M., and Stephen Paschall Sharples, S.B. With illustrations. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. viii.+1278.

The Rogers Family of Georgetown. By Josiah H. Drummond. 8vo. pp. 37.

Richard Williams of Taunton and his Connection with the Cromwell Family. [Edited by Hon. Josiah H. Drummond. Reprinted from the Register for April, 1897.] 8vo. pp. 4.

A Genealogy of the Descendants of John Bulfinch of Boston, Massachusetts. 1700-1895. By Edward F. Johnson. Woburn. 1895. 16mo. pp. 15.

Langley of Newport, R. I. By Isaac J. Greenwood. Boston. 1897. [Reprinted from the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register, April, 1897.]

History.

The Whigs of Massachusetts. By William S. Appleton. Read before the Massachusetts Historical Society at the meeting of March 11, 1897, and reprinted from the Proceedings. Cambridge. 1897. 8vo. pp. 7.

Remarks on the Early History of Printing in New England. By Samuel A. Green, LL.D. [Boston. 1897.] 8vo. pp. 16.

A British Account of the Battle of Lexington; and the Last Meeting in the Dowse Library at No. 30 Tremont Street, Boston. By Samuel A. Green, LL.D. [Boston. 1897.] 8vo. pp. 4.

Local History.

Abstracts of Early Woburn Deeds, recorded at Middlesex County Registry. 1649-1700. By Edward F. Johnson. With some explanatory notes. Woburn. 1897. 8vo. pp. 78+xii.

The Uxbridge Academy. A Brief History, with a Biographical Sketch of J. Mason Macomber, A.M., M.D., Preceptor. By William A. Mowry, A.M., Ph.D. Boston. 1897. 12mo. pp. xiv.+151.

Biography.

John Eliot, the Puritan Missionary to the Indians. A Paper read before the American Society of Church History, at its ninth annual meeting, Dec. 30th, 1896. By Ezra Hoyt Byington, D.D. [Reprinted from vol. viii., American Society of Church History.]

A Sketch of the Life of Charles Stewart Daveis. By David Greene Haskins, Jr. [Reprinted from the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register for April, 1897.] 8vo. pp. 11.

Memoir of William Putnam Kuhn. By George Kuhn Clarke. [Reprinted from the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register, April, 1897.] 8vo. pp. 6.

Lucius Robinson Paige, D.D. A Memorial Sketch. [By Col. Albert H. Hoyt, A.M.] Reprinted from the Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, at the October meeting, 1896. 12mo. pp. 11.

Colleges and Schools.

The Class of 1861, Bowdoin College. The Achievements, the Honors and the Family History of its Members during Thirty-five Years. Compiled by Edward Stanwood, Class Secretary. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 61.

Library of Harvard University. Biographical Contributions. Edited by Justin Winsor, Librarian. No. 52. The Librarians of Harvard College. 1667-1877. By Alfred Claghorn Potter and Charles Knowles Bolton. Cambridge. 1897. 8vo. pp. 47.

Societies and Institutions.

Register of Members of the Society of Sons of the Revolution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the Constitution and By-Laws. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 181.

Year-Book of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Constitution and By-Laws, Addresses and Original Papers, List of Members, etc. Publication No. 3. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 236.

The Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois. List of Officers and Members. Together with a record of the service performed by their Ancestors in the Wars of the Colonies. Publication No. 3. Chicago. 1897. 8vo. pp. 161.

Woburn Public Library. Bulletin of Accessions for the Three Months beginning December 1, 1896, and ending March 1, 1897. Also List of Houses in Woburn, 1831. 8vo. pp. 11.

II. *Other Publications.*

Local History.

The Lower Norfolk County Virginia Antiquary. Edited by Edward W. James. Baltimore. 1897. 8vo. pp. 40.

Falmouth Neck (now Portland, Maine), in the Revolution. By Nathan Goold. Portland, 1897. 8vo. pp. 56.

The Story of Bryan's Station as told in the Historical Address delivered at Bryan's Station, Fayette County, Kentucky, August 18th, 1896. By George W. Ranck. Lexington. 1896. 12mo. pp. 75.

Rev. Dudley Woodbridge, his Church Record at Simsbury in Conn. 1667-1710. Published with prefatory notes by Albert C. Bates. Hartford. 1894. 8vo. pp. 32.

Old Eliot [Maine]. Vol. I. Numbers I—V. January-May, 1897. Eliot, Me. 8vo. pp. 64.

Biography.

In Memoriam. William Henry Cundy. Read before the Franklin Typographical Society, March 4, 1897. By Edward E. Edwards. Boston. 1897. 12mo. pp. 12.

In Memoriam. John Putnam Gulliver, Frances C. Gulliver. 12mo.

In Memoriam. Samuel Augustus Duncan. Memorial Addresses and Proceedings at a Meeting of the Bar of the City of New York, October 24, 1895. New York. 1897. 8vo. pp. 23.

The Story of an Inventor. [A. B. Bowers.] Reprint from the Overland Monthly, February, 1897. 8vo. pp. 20.

Colleges and Schools.

Catalogue of Princeton University. One Hundred and Fiftieth Year. 1896-97. 12mo. pp. 226.

Catalogue of Amherst College for the year 1896-1897. Amherst. 1897. 8vo. pp. 80.

Report of the President of Yale University for the year ending December 31, 1896. 1897. 8vo. pp. 125.

Catalogue of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia, for the year ending June, 1897, and Announcements for 1897-98. Roanoke. 1897. 8vo. pp. 98.

Brown University. Address Book of the Living Graduates. Third issue. Published by the Librarian, December, 1896. Providence. 1896. 12mo. pp. 67.

Catalogue of Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Massachusetts. Thirty-ninth year. 1896-97. Andover. 1897. 12mo. pp. 30.

Catalogue of the University of Pennsylvania. 1896-97. Philadelphia. 1896. 12mo. pp. 435

Catalogue of Bowdoin College and the Medical School of Maine. 1896-97. Brunswick. 1896. 8vo. pp. 75.

The Seventy-Seventh Annual Catalogue of the Officers and Students of Colby University for the Academic Year 1896-97. Waterville. 1897. 8vo. pp. 72.

Catalogue of the Officers and Students of Brown University. 1896-97. Providence. 1897. 12mo. pp. 258.

Annual Reports of the President and Treasurer of Radcliffe College. 1895-1896. 8vo. pp. 65.

Societies and Institutions.

Annual Report of the American Historical Association for the year 1895. Washington. 1896. 8vo. pp. x.+1247.

Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Vol. IX. Providence. 1897. 8vo. pp. 141.

Minnesota Historical Society Collection. Vol. VIII. Parts 1-2. St. Paul. 1896. 8vo. pp. 270.

Ninth Biennial Report of the Minnesota Historical Society to the Legislature of Minnesota. Session of 1897. St. Paul. 1897. 8vo. pp. 43.

Proceedings of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin at its forty-fourth annual meeting held December 10, 1896. Madison. 1897. 8vo. pp. 164.

Publications of the Buffalo Historical Society. Vol. IV. Buffalo. 1896. 8vo. pp. x.+448.

Proceedings of the First Meeting of the Mendon Historical Society in Town Hall, Mendon, Massachusetts, on Tuesday, February 18, 1896, with Constitution, Addresses and Hymn. Milford. 1897. 8vo. pp. 38.

The Chapter Meeting of the Yonkers Chapter of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, held November 7, 1896. Together with a Centennial Address on the Founding of the Great North-west, by Compatriot Theodore Gilman. Cambridge. 1897. 8vo. pp. 43.

Manchester [N. H.] Historic Association Collections. Volume I.—Part one. 1896. Manchester. 1897. 8vo. pp. 119.

Proceedings of the Bostonian Society at the Annual Meeting, January 12, 1897. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 54.

Publications of the Ipswich Historical Society, III. and IV. Exercises at the Unveiling of the Memorial Tablets at the South Common, Ipswich, July 29, 1896, and the Report of the Annual Meeting of the Ipswich Historical Society, Monday evening, December 7, 1896. Ipswich. 1897. 12mo. pp. 19+9.

The Borough Town of Westchester. An address delivered by Fordham Morris, on the 28th day of October, 1896, before the Westchester County Historical Society, in the Court House, at White Plains, N. Y. 8vo. pp. 22.

Documentary Material relating to the History of Iowa. Nos. 7-8. Edited by Benjamin F. Shambaugh, A.M., Ph.D. 8vo.

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RETURN TO NEW ENGLAND OF THE MANUSCRIPT OF GOV. BRADFORD'S HISTORY OF NEW PLYMOUTH.—The original manuscript of the History of New Plymouth, by Gov. William Bradford, which for a long time was supposed to be lost, but for nearly half a century has been known to be in the library of the bishop of London, at Fulham Palace,* has at length been restored to New England. Two Englishmen advocated the return of the manuscript, namely: Rev. John Waddington in 1858, and Benjamin Scott in 1881. Fruitless attempts were made to have the manuscript restored, by Hon. Robert C. Winthrop in 1860, and by Hon. John Lothrop Motley at the suggestion of Dr. Justin Winsor, in 1869.†

In 1896 Hon. George F. Hoar visited England; he saw the manuscript and urged upon the Rt. Rev. Frederick Temple, then bishop of London, but since advanced to the archbishopric of Canterbury, the propriety of restoring the volume. The bishop admitted the force of the claim and the propriety of restoring the volume. With his concurrence it was agreed that a proper application should be made. After Mr. Hoar's return a formal application was signed by committees of the American Antiquarian Society, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the Pilgrim Society, and the New-England Society of New York, and also by Roger Wolcott, governor of Massachusetts. This application was forwarded through Richard Olney, U. S. Secretary of State, to Mr. Bayard. It was agreed between the bishop and the ambassador that Mr. Bayard should formally institute legal proceedings before the consistorial court in the form of a petition. The decree was made in due form and was signed on April 20, 1897, and on the 26th the bishop of London, Rt. Rev. Mandell Creighton, who had succeeded Rev. Dr. Temple when the latter became archbishop of Canterbury, delivered the book into the hands of Mr. Bayard.

On the 26th of May the book was formally presented to the governor of Massachusetts in the presence of a large assembly of distinguished people. Addresses were made by Senator Hoar, Mr. Bayard and Roger Wolcott, governor of the state. A full account of the proceedings is to be printed by the state.

* REGISTER, vol. 9, p. 231; vol. 10, p. 353; vol. 11, p. 44 and p. 353; vol. 36, p. 223, and vol. 37, p. 106.

† See paper by Justin Winsor, LL.D., read before the Massachusetts Historical Society, April, 1897.

The archbishop of Canterbury and the bishop of London were as anxious to restore the book as our countrymen were to receive it, and the transfer was cheerfully made. The book will be held as an evidence of the friendship and good will of the mother country. It is said that Queen Victoria was consulted, and expressed her approval of the transfer.

ALLEN FAMILY.—On the first day of June a meeting was held in Boston to take steps to incorporate the Society of Descendants of Walter Allen. By-laws were adopted and the following officers elected: President, Walter Allen of New Haven, Conn.; vice presidents, Wm. Henry Allen of Boston, Frederick E. Allen of Turner's Falls, Mass., Louis Hasbrouk of Ogdensburg, N. Y.; secretary, J. Weston Allen of Boston; treasurer, Romeo E. Allen of Shrewsbury; historian, Allen H. Bent of Boston. The progenitor of the family settled in Newbury, Mass., about 1640, but a dozen years later moved to Watertown.

AUGUSTA'S CENTENARY.—The 100th anniversary of the incorporation of Augusta, Maine, which since 1828 has been the capital of the state, was celebrated in that city, Wednesday, June 9, 1897. The president of the day was Hon. James W. Bradbury, who is the oldest living ex-United States senator, and whose 95th birthday fell on June 10, the day following the celebration. The centennial oration was delivered by Hon. Melville Weston Fuller, LL.D., chief justice of the United States. The poem of the day was given by Mrs. Emma Huntington Nason and was entitled "Ancient Koussinoc." The exercises were continued in the evening, opening with a concert and followed by brief addresses.

GENEALOGIES IN PREPARATION.—Persons of the several names are advised to furnish the compilers of these genealogies with records of their own families and other information which they think may be useful. We would suggest that all facts of interest illustrating family history or character be communicated, especially service under the U. S. Government, the holding of other offices, graduation from college or professional schools, occupation, with places and dates of birth, marriage, residence and death. When there are more than one christian name they should all be given in full if possible. No initials should be used when the full names are known.

Barclay of Ury.—Robert Barclay, M.D., 3211 Lucas Street, St. Louis, Mo., has issued a circular to the American descendants of Barclay of Ury, in which he states that in order to furnish those who have requested it, and others who may desire, a copy of papers of great genealogical value, which have descended to me as eldest living male in the direct line of my branch of the American descendants of Barclay of Ury, I propose having these papers properly edited, and a limited number of copies printed, provided that a subscription fee of five dollars is guaranteed to justify the undertaking. Circulars with further details will be furnished by Dr. Barclay on application.

Dodge.—Hon. Joseph T. Dodge of Madison, Wis., author of the Dodge Family, issued in 1894, and noticed in the REGISTER for July, 1894, has a second part of about 100 pages in preparation for the early part of 1898. It will contain additions and corrections to the work of 1894. Some of the additions will be very important. Parties interested please take notice.

Lester, Leicester, etc.—George V. Leicester, 2324 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md., is compiling a genealogy of the Lester, Lister, Lyster and Leicester families. The Lester family settled in Salem in 1636. Correspondence solicited. Write for blanks. No charge. The family are found in New England, in the south and in the west.

Pratt.—A volume of the descendants of Phineas Pratt is in press, and will appear early in the autumn. It is printed from the MS. notes of Eleazer F. Pratt, by his sons, Franklin S. and Charles H. Pratt, as a memorial of their father. It will contain a sketch of Phineas Pratt, with a reprint of his narrative, and genealogical notes. An account of Weston's colony will be given. Messrs. T. R. Marvin & Son have the book in charge.

Pratt.—Walter K. Watkins of Chelsea, Mass., is preparing a genealogy of the descendants of Thomas Pratt of Winnisimmet (Chelsea).

Stowell.—Dr. E. C. Stowell, 9 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, is collecting material for a family history of the descendants of Samuel Stowell of Hingham in 1649, and of Nathaniel Stowell of Pomfret, 1732. All pertinent information will be thankfully received.

Wellman.—By Rev. Joshua W. Wellman, D.D., of 117 Summer St., Malden. Correspondence with members of the family solicited. Dr. Wellman may be seen at 18 Somerset St. by appointment.

Woolson.—Le Roy Woolson, Hopkinton, Mass., is compiling a genealogy of the Woolson family.

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This is a book of history which deals with the primitive and what may be called the antecedent facts of record. The territory to which it applies is partly within the United States and partly in the Canadian dominion. The main text of the work is the manuscript journal of Alexander Henry, a Canadian fur trader, which journal, with some interruptions, covers the period from the autumn of 1799 to May 22, 1814. This text is supplemented and fortified by extracts, in the form of editorial foot notes, from the manuscript journal or diary of David Thompson, another fur trader, whose record is contemporaneous. Thompson's complete journal, however, extends over a much longer period, viz., from 1784 to 1850. During the term comprised in the Henry journal both these men were indentified with the Northwest Company, the rival of the Hudson Bay Company.

Thompson's journal is scientifically the more valuable. It has numerous exact meteorological records and records of geographical positions in the then wilderness, astronomically determined. That of Henry is a more picturesque narrative, yet picturesque without effort or special intention. It abounds with dramatic and impressive situations, while holding with manifest fidelity to the facts. These events and situations were beheld by the narrator with a keen

eye and a never perturbed intellect and were reproduced by his pen, artlessly, and, as it were, photographically. Many thanks are no doubt due to the editor for his skilful amendment of Henry's somewhat turgid phraseology, but he declares, and the printed page bears intrinsic evidence that it is so, that in the liberties he has taken with the text of the manuscript he has but caused Henry "to tell his own story as plainly as he evidently wished to tell it and supposed he was telling it."

The work was designated above as a "book," and such it may be called, though it is in three volumes. The first two volumes comprise the text, the pagination being continuous. The third, a comparatively thin volume, contains only a copious index. The editor's preface of 28 pages is of itself a highly valuable chapter of history, especially for those who are beginners in the study of records pertaining to the "Great Northwest" region of our continent. The first thing that such a reader of the preface will notice is the statement there made that there were two Alexander Henrys, both fur traders in parts of the Great Northwest and both narrators, in writing, of their adventures. They stood in the relation of uncle and nephew, the latter being the one here under consideration. The explorations of the former were made in the period, 1760–1776. The journal of the younger Henry, now first given to the world, is destined to rank with works of the highest authority relating to the Northwest country in its primitive condition.

These adventures of his began as early as 1792, but so far as is now known, the first of his journalizing is of date 1799. The commercial headquarters of this trade appear to have been at Montreal, though Henry in figuring up his annual profits reduces the sum to the currency of Halifax. Supplies were sent from and returns made to one or both these places by the route of the Great Lakes. The point of departure into the forest was, for Henry's various canoe parties, on Lake Superior at the Canadian border. Thence their advance was westward through the Lake of the Woods and Lake Winnepeg to the upper waters of the great rivers of both Canada and the United States. Finally, in 1813, Henry crossed the Rocky Mountains and conducted a fur trade with the Indians of the Columbia, the Willamette and other rivers.

In these diverse and prolonged journeyings he visited and in his memoranda describes the existing conditions, physical, social, commercial, military and ethnological, in numerous places in our States of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dacota, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, and in seven different provinces of the Canadian dominion as now organized. It was in view of this that the book was described above as dealing with "the antecedent facts of history." The historian of any one of these states or provinces cannot well begin his formal record earlier than the date of survey and naming of the particular region. But here, in the narrative of Henry and like narratives, he has resources for enlivening his page in records earlier than any official tomes, portraying a state of things interesting to the verge of the romantic, yet of indisputable verity. It is somewhat as if the historian of England, who has not deemed himself to be on quite firm ground till he has arrived at the date of the Conqueror and Domesday Book, should now be supplied with authentic diaries written by contemporaries of Hengst, Egbert, Canute or any of the rest.

The learned writer who has produced these volumes has hitherto in this review been referred to as "editor." It is to be added that he is author also. The extracts from Thompson were described as editorial footnotes, because much of the value consists in what has been supplied from Mr. Coues's original acquisitions. The same remark applies to the third volume, which contains not only an index of the work, but, in the same alphabetical arrangement, reference to collateral matters to be found outside of Henry's journal. These came into view and were noted by Mr. Coues in the course of his study of official documents and other literary data relating to the Great Northwest, a study incidental to his editing for the press the journals and other records of the famous expeditions of Lewis and Clark and Zebulon M. Pike. Nor does his service as author cease with this, for throughout are given abundant notes and explanations concerning the fauna and flora of the regions traversed, these being, it need hardly be said, the commentaries of one who is an expert and an authority. These volumes are entitled to a place in every comprehensive general library and historical library in English-speaking America.

By Daniel W. Baker, Esq., of Boston.

History of the County of Annapolis, including Old Port Royal and Acadia, with Memories of its Representatives in the Provincial Parliament, and biographical and genealogical sketches of its early English settlers and their families. By the late W. A. CALNEK. Edited and completed by A. W. SAVARY, M.A. With Portraits and Illustrations. Toronto: William Briggs. Montreal: C. W. Coates. Halifax: S. F. Huestis. London: Phillimore & Co., 46 Essex Street, Strand. 1897. 8vo. pp. xiv.+651.

This is a very valuable history of the County of Annapolis in Nova Scotia. Perhaps the most striking feature in the history of the Province of Nova Scotia is the banishment of the Acadians. It is interesting to compare the account given by Mr. W. A. Calnek, the author of the larger part of this work, and that given by Judge A. W. Savary, the editor of the same. Stripped of all the fiction which has grown up around it this at least may be said in extenuation of the measure (however harsh it undoubtedly was) that it appears to have been a necessary measure of self-preservation on the part of the English rulers of the Province. It was alleged that the Acadians furnished supplies to the warlike French and Indians. And at one time the French on the main land compelled some three hundred of their number to take up arms at Fort Beausejour against the English settlers. It is probable that the rulers of Nova Scotia were the best judges of the exigencies of the situation. It is certain that Annapolis would several times have fallen into the hands of the French had it not been for the forces sent from Massachusetts. Beyond the Acadians to the west, in the region beyond the Beaubassin and the Missequash, were the Canadian French and their Indian allies; to the eastward was Louisburg which (by the unpardonable blundering of some one high in the British councils had by the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle been restored to France, thus making null and void all the sacrifices and hardships sustained by the brave New England troops under Sir William Pepperrell in its capture) was a continual menace to their safety, nay their very existence even. The cross of St. George was not in Annapolis Royal supplanted by the lilies of France. It is a satisfaction to note that after the troublous times had passed away, a majority of the exiles returned to Nova Scotia.

By Daniel Rollins, Esq., of Boston.

The Proprietors' Records of the Town of Lunenburg, Massachusetts, including Fitchburg and a portion of Ashby. 1729–1833. Compiled by WALTER DAVIS, City Clerk. Fitchburg: Published by authority of the City Council. 1897. 8vo. pp. x.+874.

This valuable work has been compiled by Mr. Walter A. Davis, City Clerk of Fitchburg, assisted by Miss Lucy A. Hayward and Miss Edith L. Davis, and Mrs. George W. Stone. It was published under the direction of the City Government of Fitchburg. It would be well if every city and town in the land that has not already done so would set about gathering and preserving in published form all the material that can be obtained relating to their history. Many of the writers of our town histories and our family genealogies have devoted their leisure hours for many years to their compilation. It should be the privilege of all who can in any way do so to aid them in their splendid work. It is hardly possible to estimate the grand results effected by them and by the members of our different historical societies. Delvers together in the rich soil of American history and genealogy, they are steadily accumulating a priceless stock of material for the use of the historians of the future; they are recording in some measure the progress that has been made in the past, the progress that is being made in the present, is a continual earnest of the grander, truer progress yet to be.

By Daniel Rollins, Esq., of Boston.

Beside Old Hearth-Stones. By ABRAM ENGLISH BROWN, author of History of Bedford, etc. Boston: Lee & Shepard, 10 Milk St. 1897. 1 vol. 16 mo. pp. 367.

An additional volume in the *Foot Prints of the Patriots* series, by the same author, and from the same publishers, is a valuable accession to the store of facts and incidents connected with the American Revolution. Here the reader is brought face to face with actual relics, documents, portraits and autographs of the actors in those stirring events. Mr. Brown has been wonderfully successful in his search for survivals. Not only hearth stones where the men of

other days resided, but the grave stones, where their bodies have since slept, have been visited; and illustrations of the actual spots are reproduced in this volume with great profusion. Yet not one is superfluous. They assist Mr. Brown in his vivid narrative, which has the charm of romance. The men whose careers are sketched are the veritable actors. Col. Prescott, Gen. Putnam, Capt. Ford, Lieut. Spalding, Private Pollard, and many others are successively introduced with graphic narrative of their deeds, and half tone cuts of their weapons, their birth places or residences, their implements of agriculture, the furniture of their dwellings and personal belongings of themselves, their wives and daughters.

No reader is so old but will read this book with the avidity of youth. The sons of upper Middlesex, at home and abroad, will possess a most captivating history of the part enacted by their grandfathers in 1775–83. No imagination can equal it and no poetic rendering surpass it. One breathes the very air of those days; sympathizes with their trials, sacrifices and misfortunes; and rejoices in their victory, and the indomitable spirit which secured it.

By Geo. A. Gordon, A.M., of Somerville, Mass.

Quarterly Publications of the American Statistical Association. New Series. No. 38, vol. v. June, 1897. Boston: American Statistical Association, 491 Boylston Street. 1897. 8vo. 52 pages. Price 50 cents a number or $2 per annum.

The last number of the Publications of the American Statistical Association contains the memorial address on its late president, Francis Amasa Walker, LL.D., delivered before the Association by Hon. Carroll D. Wright on Friday evening, April 16, 1897. Gen. Walker was the president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as well as of the Statistical Association. Mr. Wright's address was an appreciative survey of Gen. Walker's many-sided life. He occupied may high positions and he won honor in them all. In the same number is given a Bibliography of the Writings and Reported Addresses of Gen. Walker.

The previous number of the Quarterly Publications, March, 1897, contains the Remarks of President Walker at Washington, Dec. 31, 1896, at a meeting of the Washington members of the Statistical Association. The remarks were informal, but a stenographer's report was taken which, however, Gen. Walker had no opportunity to revise. "The Remarks," says Col. Wright, "are interesting not only for their contents, but as constituting the last public utterances of President Walker." He died January 5, 1897, only a few days after delivering this address.

"He has endeared himself," says Col. Wright, "by his personal attributes to a wide circle of friends who will join in writing his epitaph. Let the public for whom he toiled, and in whose service he died, erect the tomb, but let his friends out of loving hearts write his epitaph. But is Walker dead? His work will and must live on, as must the work of every good and great man. It cannot perish. His influence over the youth of this country, over the body of his students, is immortal, and whether we erect tombs or write epitaphs, he needs nothing to establish his place in the hearts of a grateful people."

British Officers serving in the American Revolution, 1774-1783. Compiled by WORTHINGTON CHAUNCEY FORD. Brooklyn, N. Y.: Historical Printing Club. 1897. Royal 8vo. pp. 187. Edition limited to two hundred and fifty copies. Prices, cloth uncut, $4.00 net; sewed in paper, $3.00 net.

This is a companion volume to British Officers serving in 1754-1774, printed in instalments in the REGISTER for 1894 and 1895 and subsequently issued separately in a volume. That volume gave a list of British officers serving in America for twenty-one years previous to the Revolution, this gives the officers who served here during the Revolution.

A prospectus of this work informs us that "of the many officers in the regular army of Great Britain serving in America during the Revolution, 1774-1783, no list is to be found other than the official 'Army List' issued annually by the War Office. These earlier lists have become of great rarity, and not more than half a dozen sets are to be found in libraries of the United States. Nor is it a simple matter to consult them, if accessible. The arrangement in the original lists is by regiments and by date of rank, no alphabetical order being employed.

Where an officer has served in more than one regiment it becomes, therefore, a difficult matter to trace the changes of rank and service; while the notably frequent occurrence of the same name in the Scotch regiments adds to the liability to mistake and confusion. To simplify reference this new list has been compiled from the Army Lists and from such other semi-official registers as have been found. The order is strictly alphabetical, and the dates of every commission, for whatever rank or regiment, are given for each officer, so far as the record will show."

History of Dover, Mass., as a Precinct, Parish, District and Town. By FRANK SMITH. Published by the town, 1897. Large 12mo. pp. xv.+354, with maps and illustrations.

Dover was originally a part of Dedham and was the seventh town that was set off and organized into a separate town. In 1748 it was known as the Springfield or Fourth Parish, was a District in 1784 and incorporated as a town in 1836.

As the parish antedated the town by nearly one hundred years, its history is given first, and in describing it the author has painted a picture of many other parishes of the early New England towns.

Among the subjects considered in the book, are the Building of the Meeting House and the Settlement of the First Minister, the Social Life and Conditions, the Early Families, the Colonial Contests and the later Wars, the Ecclesiastical History, the Schools, the Manufacturing and other Industries and the Natural History of the Town.

The chapter on the social life and habits and customs of the people at the early period, is of great interest and value, and the lists containing the names of the citizens of Dover, as a parish or town, who took part in the different wars, will be found very useful for reference. In its plan and in its execution the work is most complete and excellent, and is a model in every respect. The book is brought out in a very attractive form and the maps and illustrations add greatly to the interest and value of the work.

A second volume is to follow in due time, giving the genealogy of the early and later families.

By David H. Brown, Esq., West Medford, Mass.

Maine Society of The Sons of the American Revolution. Constitution, Roll of Members, etc. Portland: The Thurston Print. 1897.

The Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in this publication gives much information about the society and its members. Among its contents are: Maine in war; organization and officers of this Society; what the Society has accomplished; Constitution of the Society; Roll of Membership, with sketches of the members; Officers of the National Society; Constitution of the National Society.

The Maine Society was organized in 1891, its constitution was adopted March 14th in that year, and officers were elected March 28. The book is embellished with a portrait of Gen. Henry Knox and other engravings.

True Stories of New England Captives Carried to Canada During the Old French and Indian Wars. By C. ALICE BAKER. Cambridge. 1897. Sm. 4to. pp. 399. Price $3.50. To be obtained of C. Alice Baker, Cambridge, Mass.; G. E. Littlefield, 67 Cornhill, Boston; or of John Sheldon, Greenfield, Mass.

Miss Baker has compiled a much needed book. In her preface she says: "As often as I have read in the annals of the early settlers of New England the pathetic words, 'Carried Captive to Canada whence they came not back,' I have longed to know the fate of the captives. The wish has become a purpose, and I have taken upon myself a mission to open the door for their return." The author intends this work to be a sequel to the "Tragedies of the Wilderness," by the late Samuel Gardner Drake, whose book was published fifty years ago.

There are thirteen narratives in this volume. The first is that of Christine Otis, captured at Dover, N. H., of whom some account is given in the REGISTER for 1851 (page 189); another is that of Esther Wheelwright, a great granddaughter of Rev. John Wheelwright, who was captured at Wells, Me., who adopted the religion of her captors and became Mother Superior of the Ur-

sulines of Quebec. "Her varied fortunes form one of the most romantic episodes in the history of the old French and Indian wars." Another is that of Eunice Williams, daughter of Rev. John Williams of Deerfield, who was captured when ten years old. She married an Indian and became one. The adventures of these and the other New England captives are very interesting.

Many of the details here given have been gathered by Miss Baker from personal visits to Canada and the frontiers. "The story of Miss Baker's journeyings up and down the St. Lawrence between Montreal and Quebec," says the Springfield Republican, "would in itself read like a romance. In summer heats and the rigors of Canadian winters, searching parish registers, asking and always receiving every possible assistance from the curés, who entered into her researches with the greatest interest and treated her with genuine hospitality, she found here and there a clue which she followed up, until she finally succeeded in tracing the lives of eighteen out of thirty Deerfield captives, who had been totally lost to their kindred from the time of their capture."

The Congregational Year Book, 1897. Boston: The Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society, 1897. 8vo. pp. 454.

The Congregational Year Book makes its appearance promptly. It is issued under the sanction of the National Council of Congregational Churches of the United States, and is edited by Rev. Henry A. Hazen, D.D., of Auburndale, Mass. It contains the general statistics of the Congregational churches for the previous year, an alphabetical list of the Congregational ministers and of the officers and students of the Congregational Theological Seminaries. Obituaries of deceased Congregational ministers are given, and other statistical and miscellaneous information that is important that members of the denomination should possess.

The Index Library, being Indexes, Calendars and Abstracts of British Records issued to the subscribers by the British Record Society, Limited. Part 68. June, 1897. Royal 8vo. Annual subscription, one guinea. Address E. A. Fry, Esq., honorary secretary, 172 Edmund Street, Birmingham, England.

The June number of the Index Library, like its predecessors, is filled with matters interesting to genealogists and antiquarians. It contains, 1, indexes to Wills Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1558 to 1589, eighty pages, Sankye to Zulley; 2, index to the Wills and administrations of the Probate Registry at Bristol, 1572 to 1792, sixty-four pages, Abbot to Owiens; 3, Abstracts of Inquisitions Post Mortem (Miscellaneous, Chancery Series) County of Gloucester, thirty-two pages; 4, Commissariot of Edinburgh, 1514 to 1600, sixty-four pages, Millar to Somervell. The latter article belongs to the Scottish Series.

Diary kept by Lieut. Dudley Bradstreet of Groton, Mass., during the siege of Louisburg, April 1745—January 1746. With Notes and an Introduction by Samuel A. Green. Cambridge: John Wilson and Son, University Press. 1897. 8vo. pp. 82.

The diary of Lieut. Bradstreet, which Dr. Green prints in the pamphlet before us, furnishes many details of the first siege of Louisburg, and mentions many persons who were present at that siege. The diarist was a member of Capt. John Warner's company in the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Willard. The men in this company were from Groton and its vicinity, and the diary mentions from time to time Groton men who were serving in the army. Dr. Green, who has printed so much about his native town, has done well to reproduce this manuscript.

General Timothy Ruggles. 1711–1795. By Henry Stoddard Ruggles of Wakefield, Mass. Privately Printed. 1897. 8vo. pp. 40.

Brigadier Ruggles, whose biography is before us, was an influential and public spirited man and a leader in the affairs of Worcester county, Massachusetts, before the Revolution. Mr. Ruggles of Wakefield has written a very interesting account of his career. He was a Mandamus Councillor, and opposed the war with England, though many of his near relatives served with distinction in the revolutionary war. Brigadier Ruggles suffered the consequences of living up to his convictions, and died in exile. But he had many friends in his native land who honored his motives.

Gloucestershire Parish Registers. Marriages. Edited by W. P. W. Phillimore, M.A., B.C.L. Vol. I. London: Issued to the Subscribers by the Editor, 124 Chancery Lane. 1896. 8vo. pp. vi.+149. Price 12s. 6d.

Mr. Phillimore's genealogical and antiquarian publications have often been commended in our pages. The book before us is the initial volume of Phillimore's Parish Register Series. It is devoted to parishes in Gloucestershire. As the baptisms and burials in parish registers are so numerous as to preclude printing them to any great extent in their entirety, the author has decided to begin with printing the marriages. This volume contains the registers of Marriages in the following eight parishes: King's Stanley, 1573-1812; Owlpen, 1687-1895; Quedgeley, 1559-1836; Rendcombe, 1566-1812; Swindon, 1638-1837; Forthampton, 1687-1812; Nimpsfield, 1679-1812, and Slimbridge, 1685-1812.

Mr. Phillimore says truly that "the genealogical utility of this volume will be considerable, for it is well known that one of the chief obstacles to the completion of a pedigree is the difficulty of obtaining the names of the wives."

The editor confers a new obligation on the antiquary and the student of family history by this publication.

Inscriptions from Gravestones in the Old North Cemetery, Truro, Mass. From 1713 to 1840. By JOHN B. DYER, Town Clerk of Truro, Mass., for John L. Lombard of Chicago, Ill. Provincetown, Mass.: Howard F. Hopkins. 1897. 8vo. pp. 35.

Mr. J. Harvey Treat of Lawrence published in 1880 a transcript of the Baptisms in Truro from 1711 to 1800; and in 1891 he issued the Deaths in Truro, 1786-1826, taken from the Diary of Rev. Jude Damon. We have here before us the graveyard inscriptions in the North Cemetery in that town from 1713 to 1840. It is a useful publication, for which both Mr. Dyer and Mr. Lombard deserve praise. It no doubt supplies many dates not found in the previous works, nor in the History of Truro by Shebnah Rich, published in 1883.

New York in the Revolution as Colony and State. These Records were discovered, arranged and classified by JAMES A. ROBERTS, Comptroller. Albany, N. Y.: Weed-Parsons Printing Company, Printers, 1897. Large 4to. pp. xix.+261.

Mr. Roberts, the Comptroller of the State of New York, says in his preface: "During my first term of office as comptroller, the work of putting the old records of the comptroller's department in systematic order for purposes of easy reference was undertaken. The work in its progress brought to light quantities of forgotten papers relating to the services performed by New York in the Revolutionary war. These papers, long since detached from their original file packages, were promiscuously scattered through great masses of old vouchers and files."

Mr. Roberts realized at once the great value and importance of the papers. Competent men were at once set at work in searching and arranging these papers, and the result of this work is the volume before us. It contains principally lists of soldiers who have done service in the revolutionary war compiled from the various papers. Facsimiles of some of the most important documents are given.

The book is a valuable addition to the materials for the history of New York. It will be specially prized by the descendants of the Revolutionary soldiers of that state.

Francis William Bird. A Biographical Sketch. Boston: Privately printed. 1897. With a portrait. 12mo. pp. 168.

Mr. Bird was prominent as a Freesoiler in anti-slavery days. He was always an independent thinker and actor. The author of this book says of him: "He has many claims to our remembrance. As a manufacturer, his reputation for sterling honesty is unimpeached; he had the good-will of his associates, the love and veneration of his employés, to whom he stood in a peculiarly gracious and winning relationship. As a politician — using the word in its best significance — he preserved a sturdy independence which invariably led him to prefer the paramount interests of the whole country to the ephemeral considerations of section or party."

The book is well written and gives an interesting narrative of Mr. Bird's life.

The Class of 1861, Bowdoin College. The Achievements, the Honors and the Family History of its members during Thirty-five Years. Compiled by EDWARD STANWOOD, Class Secretary. Boston. 1897. 8vo. pp. 61.

This is an elegant specimen of a College Class Book. It is handsomely printed on heavy white paper and neatly bound. The preface gives a brief history and some statistics of the class of 1861 of Bowdoin College. Brief biographical sketches follow, embellished with fine half-tone portraits. It is a commendable practice for the various classes in different colleges to preserve in print a record of the lives of their members.

Favorite Drives around Gardner. By CHARLES D. BURRAGE. Illustrated from original photographs. From papers read before the Monday Club and Gardner Institute. The original drawings by Charles H. Stratton. Press of Gardner News Company. Wide 8vo. pp. 65. Price 50 cents.

This volume will interest the residents and visitors of Gardner, Mass. Two editions of it have been sold, and a third is just issued. It makes a handsome volume and is illustrated with fine engravings.

Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall, First Associate of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and Patentee of Connecticut. Printed at the Riverside Press for Private Distribution. 1897. Sm. 4to. pp. xii+265.

A History of the Kentucky and Missouri Stiles, with a Sketch of the New Jersey and other Kindred. By LA FAYETTE STILES PENCE. Lebanon, Kentucky: W. T. Hawkins, Book and Job Printer. 1896. 8vo. pp. 46.

One Branch of the Descendants of Thomas Chamberlain of Woburn. 1644. Compiled by GEORGE W. CHAMBERLAIN. Printed for private distribution by Willis Brooks Chamberlain, of Worcester, Mass. Weymouth, Mass.: Weymouth and Braintree Publishing Company. 1897. 8vo. pp. 16.

Notes on the Manning Family, with Additional Notes on the Waters, Proctor and Whitfield Families. By HENRY F. WATERS, A.M. Boston: Printed for Private Distribution. 1897. 8vo. pp. 35. With folding tabular pedigree.

Pedigree of Mabel Harlakenden. Tabular Pedigree, broadside, 15 in. by 20 in.

Genealogy of the Cromwell-Williams Family from the Conquest to the Commonwealth. Compiled from various sources by JOHN PHILLIPS, C. E., of Putney, Surrey. 1st August, 1894. Tabular pedigree, broadside, 16 in. by 24 in.

Richard Williams of Taunton and his connection with the Cromwell Family. 8vo. pp. 4.

Tufts Genealogy. Earlier Generations. By Mr. LARKIN T. TUFTS and EDWARD C. BOOTH, M.D. 8vo. pp. 7.

We continue in this number our quarterly notices of recent publications relating to family history.

The book on the Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall is a model in every respect for the history of a family. Sir Richard Saltonstall was prominent among the founders of the colony of Massachusetts Bay, and his descendants have held high positions in the affairs of New England. The present work is by Leverett Saltonstall, Esq., whose knowledge of the history of the family is well known. He died at Chestnut Hill, April 15, 1895, a few days after his completion of the manuscript of this genealogy. "It had been," says his son, "his earnest desire personally to superintend the publishing of the book for which he left careful instructions in writing, in case the work should be done by others than himself." The son, Richard M. Saltonstall, Esq., has endeavored in every respect to carry out these instructions.

Mr. Saltonstall in his preface dated at Chestnut Hill, March, 1895, a month before his death, says: "The pedigree of the family of Saltonstall in England and America has long been known in a general way to genealogists, but its history in a connected form has never been fully presented. The deep interest I feel in the preservation of its record and the care I have taken to obtain information induced me to attempt the compilation of the work herewith presented. Long continued illness has prevented more exhaustive research, but I trust that what is here shown will prove satisfactory and instructive to those who value descent from a long line of worthy ancestors."

Though the author asks indulgence on account of sickness while the work

was being prepared for the press, an examination of the book itself shows that it is not needed. The subject was familiar to Mr. Saltonstall, and had received his most careful research. The family in England held a high rank, and many of the name were entrusted with offices of honor. Their record is fully given in these pages, as is also that of the distinguished Saltonstalls in this country. The biographical sketches are well written, and the genealogical details correctly given.

The book is brought out in the most beautiful and expensive style. Portraits, views of scenery and buildings, and other illustrations of a high order of art adorn the volume. The family possess many portraits by the great painters of the time. These are reproduced as are also the rare and quaint documents preserved as heirlooms.

The work on the Stiles family is devoted to the Stileses of Kentucky and Missouri, who are said to be descendants of the New Jersey and Connecticut families of the name. The earliest one who settled in Kentucky was David Stiles, who was a son of Thomas and Abigail (Ogden) Stiles, and was born in Morristown, N. J., in 1760. The book contains much interesting matter and is illustrated with portraits.

The Chamberlain pamphlet traces for seven generations one branch of the descendants of Thomas Chamberlain, an early settler of Woburn, Mass. It is well compiled and we hope it will lead others to continue the work so well begun.

The Manning pamphlet, by Mr. Waters, is a reprint from his Gleanings in the REGISTER for July, 1897. It will have a particular interest for descendants of some of the early Salem families.

The Pedigree of Mabel Harlakenden was compiled by the late Rev. Henry Jones, of Bridgeport, Ct., and was fully noticed in the REGISTER for January, 1863, soon after the appearance of the first edition. The broadside before us is a second edition of Rev. Mr. Jones's tabular pedigree. Henry Evans, vice-president of the Continental Insurance Company of New York city, borrowed a copy from William G. Whilden, of Greenville, S. C., and had it reproduced by the Ottmann Lithographic Company, after adding to it information concerning his own family to date. Copies can be obtained of Mr. Evans, 46 Cedar Street, New York.

The Genealogy of the Cromwell-Williams family was compiled by Mr. Phillips in 1894 for the late Hon. Joseph Hartwell Williams, Ex-Governor of Maine, who had been engaged many years in researches into the history of the family. He had a very few copies of the pedigree printed as gifts to his immediate relatives. We understand that an important clue in tracing the ancestry of Richard Williams, of Taunton, Mass., was found in the wills of his brother, Benjamin Williams, of Stoake in Surrey, and his sister Jane Williams, of Wheatenhurst in Gloucester, which Mr. Waters found and printed in his Gleanings in the REGISTER for July and October, 1883, vol. 37, pp. 236 and 376.

The pamphlet entitled Richard Williams and the Cromwell Family contains the preceding tabular pedigree in narrative form, with an introduction prepared by Gov. Williams's friend, Hon. Josiah H. Drummond. It is reprinted from the REGISTER for April last.

The Tufts Genealogy is a reprint from the REGISTER for July, 1897.

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J. W. D.

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